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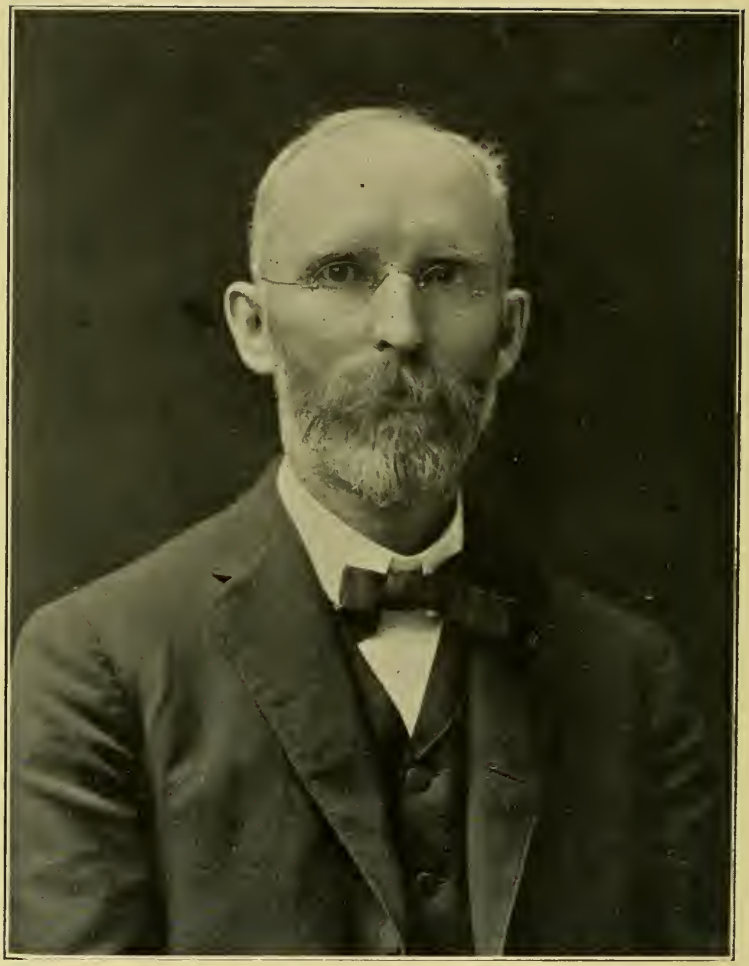

REV. W. J. COLEMAN, D.D., Allegheny, Pa.
Moderator of Synod, 1905, New Castle, Pa.

MINUTES

OF THE

Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America

SESSION LXXVI.

REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,
NEW CASTLE, PA., MAY 24TH, 1905.

The Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church met pursuant to adjournment in the New Castle Reformed Presbyterian Church, May 24th, 1905, at 8 P. M., and after devotional exercises its sessions were opened with a sermon by the Moderator, T. C. Sproull, from Psalm xxii: 28—"For the kingdom is the Lord's." The Moderator then constituted the Court with prayer. After announcements the Synod adjourned with prayer by D. B. Willson, to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

MORNING SESSION.

Synod met in the same place May 25th, at 9 A. M., and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

The roll was called and, being completed, is as follows:

ROLL.

COLORADO.

CONGREGATIONS.	MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
DENVER		Robert Allen.
EVANS	J. Milligan Wylie	
LA JUNTA	†Samuel Edgar	John Crozier.
LOS ANGELES	P. J. McDonald	Robert A. Wilson.
SEATTLE	T. M. Slater	D. D. Mearns.

ILLINOIS.

Congregations.	Ministers.	Elders.
Bethel	D. S. Faris	R. J. Miller.
Bloomington	G. R. Steele	J. H. Curry.
Oakdale	J. C. French	*W. G. Adams.
Old Bethel	E. A. Crooks	
Princeton	D. C. Mathews	J. D. Latham.
Selma	*S. F. Kingston	*Robert Davis.
Staunton	G. W. Benn	
St. Louis	M. M. Pearce	*James Torrens.
	*J. G. Reed	

IOWA.

Chicago	Robert Clarke	*J. M. Wylie.
Hopkinton	Louis Meyer	T. J. Joseph.
Lake Reno	*J. R. W. Stevenson	L. B. Turner.
Morning Sun	C. D. Trumbull	Richard Elliott.
Rehoboth	J. A. Black	W. W. Twinam.
Sharon	*J. S. McGaw	John Kilpatrick.
Washington		David Love.
	*W. T. K. Thompson	
	Isaiah Faris	

KANSAS.

Beulah		G. S. Gilchrist.
Billings	W. C. Paden	
Cache Creek	W. W. Carithers	Yellowfish.
Clarinda	J. W. Dill	J. U. McKeown.
Denison	†D. H. Elliot	A. M. Shaw.
Eskridge	James McCune	
Hebron	W. S. Fulton	
Kansas City	A. J. McFarland, Jr	
Long Branch	J. M. Johnston	Joseph McKnight.
Olathe	G. A. Edgar	J. M. Aikin.
Quinter	G. R. McBurney	
Sterling	J. Boggs Dodds	J. W. Dougherty.
Superior	S. J. Johnston	Thomas McMillan.
Tabor	S. E. Greer	
Topeka		J. R. Magee.
Wahoo	M. A. Gault	John Birnie.
Winchester		D. Scott Faris.

LAKES.

Belle Center	S. G. Shaw	J. G. McConnell.
Bellefontaine	J. M. Faris	J. E. Foster.
Cedar Lake	C. M. Smith	*J. R. W. Duguid.
Cedarville	W. J. Sanderson	J. D. George.
Cincinnati	*D. O. Jack	
Fair Grove	T. C. Sproull	
Hetherton	E. G. Elsey	
Southfield	*†H. G. Patterson	J. S. Cannon.
United Miami		George Aikin.

NEW BRUNSWICK AND NOVA SCOTIA.

Congregations.	Ministers.	Elders.
Cornwallis	Thomas McFall	J. A. Newcomb.

NEW YORK.

Boston First	S. McNaugher	
Boston Second	J. M. Foster	
Bovina		A. T. Russell.
Brooklyn	J. C. Slater	J. W. Pritchard.
Coldenham	Thomas Patton	
Kortright		G. G. McLaury.
Newburg First	J. W. F. Carlisle	James Greer.
New York Second	R. M. Sommerville	*Walter T. Miller.
New York Third	F. M. Foster	A. D. McNeill.
New York Fourth	I. A. Blackwood	
Walton	R. C. Reed	J. R. Henderson.
West Hebron	T. A. McElwain	
White Lake	J. H. Pritchard	
	S. R. Wallace	

OHIO.

Jonathan's Creek		J. C. George.
Londonderry		T. J. Blackwood.
Muskingum and Tomica	†Wilbur J. McBurney	
New Concord	A. A. Samson	
Utica	†R. A. Blair	*William Hervey.

PHILADELPHIA.

Philadelphia First	T. P. Stevenson	
Philadelphia Second	J. C. McFeeters	*S. A. S. Metheny.
Philadelphia Third	R. C. Montgomery	
	G. M. Robb	

PITTSBURGH.

Adamsville and Middletown		R. J. McCracken.
Allegheny	W. J. Colman	William Martin.
Bear Run and Mahoning		*H. M. Pollock.
Rehoboth	*E. M. Elsey	W. B. White.
Beaver Falls	J. S. Thompson	J. E. Dodds.
Brookland and Manchester	P. P. Boyd	
Central Allegheny	J. W. Sproull	*W. A. Russell.
College Hill	*R. H. Martin	*J. J. Torrens.
East End	D. C. Martin	
Geneva	H. G. Foster	*W. S. McAnlis.
Little Beaver	J. Renwick Wylie	*H. A. Young.

PITTSBURGH—Continued.

Congregations.	Ministers.	Elders.
McKeesport and Monongahela	B. M. Sharp	David Finney.
Mercer	W. J. McKnight	S. A. Fyffe.
Miller's Run	S. G. Conner	R. J. Wallace.
New Alexandria	R. J. Gault	Jas. B. Patterson.
New Castle	J. S. Martin	Robert Speer.
North Union	P. P. Boyd	G. H. McCaw.
Oil Creek	S. J. Crowe	
Pine Creek	A. Kilpatrick	*Robert Kyle.
Union		J. M. Douthett.
Parnassus	F. M. Wilson	M. G. Euwer.
Pittsburgh	D. McAllister	William F. Wilson.
Slippery Rock	J. R. Latimer	George Martin.
Wilkinsburg	R. C. Wylie	*A. C. Coulter.
Youngstown	E. L. McKnight	W. W. Dickey.
	R. C. Allen	
	*T. J. Allen	
	*J. F. Crozier	
	Henry Eason	
	J. C. K. Faris	
	H. H. George	
	*W. P. Johnston	
	*George Kennedy	
	A. J. McFarland, Sr	
	D. B. Willson	

ROCHESTER.

Lochiel	W. G. Robb	
Syracuse	†John Yates	R. B. Crockett.
York	J. B. Gilmore	Henry Hogg.
	William McFarland	

VERMONT.

Barnet	D. C. Faris	

†Ordained since last meeting.
*Not present at first roll call.

Ministers absent: T. H. Acheson, J. M. Armour, H. B. McMillan, J. K. Robb, J. T. Wilson, W. C. Allen, J. M. Littlejohn, R. A. Paden, D. H. Coulter, E. M. Coleman, J. Ralston Wylie, R. Hargrave, J. R. Thompson, W. M. George, A. I. Robb, T. A. Rusk, Moses Greenberg, E. F. Sherman, J. R. Baird, R. J. Dodds, C. A. Dodds, R. J. George, J. L. McCartney, J. J. McClurkin, R. J. Mc Isaac, J. L. Pinkerton, D. J. Shaw, J. S. Stewart, J. C. Taylor, J. A. Kempf, W. McCarroll—31.

Congregations not represented: Canon City, Church Hill, Hickory Grove, Holmwood, Barnesville, Cambridge, Second Newburgh, North Salem, Clarksburg, Salem, Almonte, Lisbon, Vernon, Craftsbury, Ryegate—15.

Names dropped from the roll: By death, A. W. Johnston, J. Galbraith, H. P. McClurkin, P. H. Wylie, J. McCracken; by transfer to Irish Synod, A. M. Thompson; by defection, James Patton and Hugh McCarroll—8.

W. J. Coleman was chosen Moderator, R. C. Montgomery, Clerk, and J. C. French continued Assistant Clerk.

G. W. Benn, D. C. Mathews, J. H. Pritchard and F. M. Wilson were appointed Reporters.

T. C. Sproull, W. J. Sanderson and S. G. Shaw were appointed Precentors.

The sermon of the retiring Moderator was requested for publication.

The Committee on Order of Business reported. The report was adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Your Committee respectfully recommend the following order:

Thursday, 9 A. M.—Reports of Committees on Order of Business, on Devotional Exercises, on Unfinished Business, Signs of the Times, State of Religion.

2 P. M.—Reports of Boards of Sustentation, Church Erection, Superintendents of Theological Seminary, Foreign Missions, Central Board of Missions, Report of Committees on Testimony Bearing, and on Temperance.

Friday, 9 A. M.—Reports of Committees on Sabbath, Secret Societies, Mission Conference, Board of Control.

2 P. M.—Reports of Presbyteries: Reports of Committees on Statistics and Presbyterial Reports; Evangelistic Work; Report of National Reform Association; Report of Synod's Board of Trustees.

Saturday, 9 A. M.—Reports of Corporators of Geneva College; and Trustees of Geneva College; Committees on Sabbath Schools; Young People's Societies; Psalmody, Systematic Beneficence.

Monday, 9 A. M.—Reports of Committees on Records of Presbyteries; Foreign Mission; Home Missions.

2 P. M.—Reports of Committees on Theological Seminary and Education; Traveling Fund; National Reform; Discipline.

Tuesday, 9 A. M.—Finance.

2 P. M.—Reports of Committees on Sustentation and Church Erection; Foreign Correspondence; Supplies; Nominations.

Hours, 9 A. M. to 12 M., and 2 P. M. to 5 P. M., except Saturday. We recommend that Synod hold but one session, from 9 A. M. to 1 P. M.

J. R. Wylie,
G. A. Edgar,
J. W. Wilson.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises reported. The report was adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES.

Your Committee would respectfully recommend that the last half hour of the morning session of each day be spent in devotional exercises. We submit the following program:

Thursday—Prayer for the infilling, indwelling and inworking of the Holy Spirit. C. McLeod Smith to preside.

Friday—Prayer for a more diligent, thorough and prayerful study and use of the Word of God. John Birnie to preside.

Saturday—Prayer for a heaven-sent-down revival of the pure and undefiled religion of the Lord Jesus Christ. J. C. McFeeters to preside.

Monday—Prayer for world-wide evangelization, and especially for the success of mission work in our Church both at home and abroad. Walter T. Miller to preside.

Tuesday—Prayer for the spread of reformation principles in all countries, and especially for the general recognition and acceptance in our own beloved land of the Kingly authority of Christ, with all that it involves. James Young to preside.

J. S. Martin,
H. G. Foster,
R. A. Adams.

J. S. Martin was appointed to attend to the printing of the above reports.

Papers were called for and the following were laid on the table:

Paper No. 1.—Communication from the Western Section of the Executive Commission of the Alliance of Reformed Churches. Referred to the Committee on Finance and to Special Committee to be nominated by the Committee on Nominations.

Paper No. 2.—Report of J. S. Tibby, Treasurer of Literary Fund. Referred to Committee on Finance.

Paper No. 3.—Report of John T. Morton, Treasurer. Referred to Committee on Finance.

Paper No. 4.—Report of Annette G. Wallace, Treasurer of Aged People's Home. Referred to Committee on Finance.

Paper No. 5.—Notice of appeal by J. S. Dodds from decision of Pittsburgh Presbytery. Referred to Committee on Discipline.

Paper No. 6.—Petition of J. R. Cannon with respect to the Greensburg Church property, with accompanying papers. Referred to Committee on Finance.

Paper No. 7.—Communication from Women's Christian Temperance Union. Referred to Committee on Temperance.

Paper No. 8.—Minutes of the Syrian Commission. Referred to Special Committee to be nominated by the Nominating Committee.

Report of Committee on Unfinished Business. Report accepted and taken up item by item for adoption.

Item 1.—Committee on Revision of Psalter.

The Committee reported and the report was taken up item by item for adoption. All the items were adopted. The report was adopted as a whole, and is as follows:

PSALMODY REVISION.

The Committee on a Uniform Version of the Psalms in Meter would respectfully report that the Joint Committee engaged in revising the metrical version of the Psalms have so far completed the work committed to them as to be ready to submit the result of their labors for your consideration. The revision has been carefully made for a second and partially for a third time, and five years of steady effort have been given to it, so that it is respectfully laid before you as the product of long continued and patient study as well as of the most thoughtful solicitude.

We regard it as a matter of no small importance that the representatives of nine denominations have combined with a good degree of harmony in this work and that, if this revision shall commend itself to all these denominations, we shall have reached a most striking and helpful agreement on one great matter on which we have been hopelessly divided, a uniform and acceptable medium of praise.

In examining the new version—and it is earnestly hoped that every one into whose hands it may come will give to it a careful and candid examination and take time before making up his mind—the revised English or American prose versions should be used along with the Hebrew text as the standard of comparison in determining its faithfulness to the original, and the marginal readings should not be left out of view. These prose versions are the nearest approach to the Hebrew that any English reader can make, and for this reason have in choice of words and renderings been largely followed in this revision.

Although it has resulted in a great change of form from that to which we have been accustomed, your representatives on the Joint Committee have favored a variety of meters that no complaint of sameness might be made by those who use the Psalms exclusively, that each Psalm might be rendered in a verse that suited its sentiment and that a wide variety of music might be available. We have voted, as a rule, against second meters, believing that there are many advantages in having but one good version of any Psalm. The number of second meters in the new version will be sixteen, three more than in the Scotch version, and these second meters are of the Psalms in most frequent use.

Particular attention is invited to the division of the matter in the new version. Most, if not all, preceding versions have given but little attention to this important consideration, but, as far as possible, in this version each separate thought in the text has been given a verse or verses of its own, making the meaning of the Psalms more clear and easier of apprehension than in any former version.

It is believed that in all but a few cases, and these for valid reasons, the poetic accent and the accent of the words are in agreement, and that all the lines except where the elision is natural and easy are of the proper number of syllables. An effort has been made to avoid all needless inversions, and great attention has been paid to the rhyming words and to the rhythm of the verse.

Care has been used with regard to the use of the divine name, so that it is seldom used where it is not found in the text, or omitted where it is found. An effort has also been made to preserve the proper name, the words Lord and Jehovah being used interchangeably, but the first as a rule because it was thought that that name was more acceptable to most readers and singers.

It is by no means asserted that this version is without defects. It is the product, however, of a careful inspection of every line as to its faithfulness, force and form, and often of a separate consideration of each word of the version adopted, and the result has in every case been the conclusion reached by a majority of the members present. Every man on the Joint Committee has voted with the minority times without number.

It is the work of the Committee as a body and it is asserted freely and without qualification that it is the best version that the Committee was able to make in the time and with the ability at its disposal. Every man on the Committee was doing his best to secure a version that would in his judgment be acceptable to the people whom he represented, and it is therefore submitted with all sincerity in an honest purpose, with humility in the knowledge of defects we could not avoid, and with gratitude that by the grace of the divine Author of the book we have been enabled to do what has been done.

A very important matter will be the selection of tunes to which the Psalms may be sung, and it is hoped that each Psalm will be suited with its own tune. The general acceptance of the Psalms depends almost as much upon this as upon the felicity of their versification. Your Committee took no steps in this matter, as we received no authority to do so, and this is a subject that may well be passed by until a decision is reached with regard to the use of this version, but it is mentioned as one that should receive great attention if the version is accepted.

The Joint Committee voted to copyright the book in order that its publication might pay the expense incurred by those who have prepared it. Being anxious for as wide a use of the book as possible, and of any part of it, by any who are willing to use it, your Committee opposed this action as putting a hindrance in their way.

It is uncertain whether the Joint Committee will meet again. We hope that it will, and that it will take advantage of every suggestion that may be offered to make the version all that it ought to be.

The book will be published first for private circulation and examination, and will probably be out in about two months. The Synod should decide how many copies it will take for this purpose. It will be necessary to pay another year's installment to meet the expense of this publication.

We submit the following recommendations:

1. That the Treasurer of the Literary Fund be instructed to remit as soon as convenient twenty-five dollars to the Treasurer of the Joint Committee.

2. That, as another meeting of the Joint Committee is possible, we continue to coöperate in this revision.

3. That we request fifty of the advance copies of the new version.

4. That all our ministers and members into whose hands this revision may come be urged to give it a careful and candid examination and to send such suggestions as they deem proper to the members of the Committee on Revision.

5. That a Committee of five ministers be appointed to examine this version, to offer suggestions to the Revision Committee and to formulate action on this version to be laid before next Synod.

W. J. Coleman,
David McAllister,
T. P. Stevenson.

Item 2.—Report of Committee on Distribution of Home Mission and Sustentation Funds. Report recommitted.

Dr. John Lynd, of Ireland, being present, was asked to sit as a consultative member and also to address Synod, Friday, May 26th, at 3 P. M.

Devotional exercises were engaged in, C. M. Smith presiding.

Synod took a recess till 2 P. M. Prayer by W. J. Sanderson.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Synod met in the same place at 2 P. M., and was led in prayer by F. M. Foster.

The roll was called and the following members were absent: J. G. Reed, W. G. Adams, J. R. W. Stevenson, J. S. McGaw, W. Hervey, S. A. S. Metheny, E. M. Elsey, R. H. Martin, T. J. Allen, J. F. Crozier, W. P. Johnston, George Kennedy, H. M. Pollock, H. A. Young, R. Kyle, most of whom soon appeared.

The minutes of the two former meetings were read, corrected and approved.

Certificate of A. C. Coulter as the representative of the Board of Trustees was received.

Papers were called for and the following were laid on the table:

Paper No. 9.—Report of Treasurer Walter T. Miller. Referred to Committee on Finance.

Paper No. 10.—Special report of Syrian Commission. Report received and approved, and is as follows:

MINUTES OF THE SYRIAN COMMISSION.

[SPECIAL.]

MERSINE, ASIA MINOR, April 13th, 1905.

The Commission met at Mersine on the above date at 9 A. M. for transaction of special business, on call of the Moderator, Rev. C. A. Dodds. The Commission was constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

The following members responded to roll call: Revs. J. S. Stewart, R. J. Dodds, C. A. Dodds and W. McCarroll.

The special purpose of the meeting was stated and the call of the Moderator sustained.

The special business was the consideration of the revocation of the licensure of Yusef Jadeed, and of charges presented by him and others against Rev. R. J. Dodds.

On motion, it was agreed that Rev. S. H. Kennedy, who was present, be invited to sit as a consultative member.

At the suggestion of the Chairman, the Commission then engaged in a season of prayer for special guidance.

Rev. R. J. Dodds then stated to the Commission that he had discontinued the services of Licentiate Yusef Jadeed, and that he considered that there were good and sufficient reasons why the Commission should approve his action and also revoke the license of Yusef Jadeed.

Mr. Dodds then presented his reasons in a written paper, at considerable length, dealing with the personal character of Yusef Jadeed and members of his family.

After some further discussion, it was agreed that a recess be taken until 2 o'clock, Mr. Stewart closing with prayer.

THURSDAY, 2 P. M.

The Commission, having reassembled, was led in prayer by Rev. S. H. Kennedy. It was agreed that it was well to summon Yusef Jadeed to

appear before the Commission the next morning. Accordingly, a summons was made out and dispatched to him at Tarsus.

Several witnesses were then heard in an informal way by the Commission, all of whom testified to the bad conduct of Yusef Jadeed and members of his family.

After considerable discussion Rev. R. J. Dodds was asked to prepare, in a condensed form, his charges against Yusef Jadeed, which are found in the appended sheets.

The Commission was then adjourned with prayer by the Moderator.

FRIDAY, 10 A. M.

The Commission met and was constituted with prayer by Rev. R. J. Dodds.

It was moved by Rev. J. S. Stewart and carried that we approve of the action of Rev. R. J. Dodds in having discharged Yusef Jadeed from mission service; and in view of all the evidence presented against him, and also against his family—as their character must closely affect his usefulness in religious work—that we hereby revoke his license and recommend his suspension from Church membership.

Yusef Jadeed was then called, and the action of the Commission communicated to him, with the reasons therefor. During the reading of these reasons he was allowed to make his own comments, in the course of which he admitted some of the charges and denied others.

Some of the admissions are as follows:

1. That Mr. Dodds' messenger, sent on December 11th, 1904, to warn Yusef Jadeed not to come with his company to make a disturbance at the preaching service, reached him before he left home.

2. That he, although notified on December 9th, 1904, of his dismissal from the mission employ, did come on December 11th, and that with the intention of preaching.

3. That his son Habeeb had threatened to turn his father out of the house if he opposed Habeeb's intention of writing charges to the Board against Mr. Dodds.

4. That he said, after his dismissal from service, that he would no longer try to protect Mr. Dodds from Habeeb.

5. That he had, on Sabbath, December 11th, 1904, charged Mr. Dodds with adultery, which he said had occurred before Yusef's discharge, and that he (Yusef) had not exposed Mr. Dodds earlier because of the love he bore to Mr. Dodds and to his father before him.

6. That he had neither done as Mr. Dodds asked him with reference to the rooms rented by him to Mr. Dodds nor returned Mr. Dodds the rent therefor.

7. That his name and seal were affixed by his son Habeeb without the father's knowledge or consent to the paper of charges sent to the Board.

After the departure of Yusef Jadeed the Commission engaged in a season of prayer, and then took a recess until 3 o'clock.

FRIDAY, 3 P. M.

The Commission, having reassembled, was led in prayer by Rev. S. H. Kennedy.

On motion, it was agreed that on the coming Sabbath public announcement should be made in Tarsus of the action of the Commission in reference to Yusef Jadeed.

On motion by Mr. Stewart, the following resolution was heartily passed:

In regard to the accusations against Rev. R. J. Dodds, which were sent to America and returned to this Commission for action, we find the same to be inadmissible,

First.—Because they are vindictive, being made and sent by those who had been dismissed from the employ of the mission and were plotting to destroy its very life.

Second.—Because many of the signatures were obtained by fraud.

Third.—Yusef Jadeed declared that his own signature and seal were attached without his knowledge or authority by his son Habeeb.

Fourth.—Because one of the witnesses now contradicts her own testimony.

Further, we, as fellow missionaries of the Rev. R. J. Dodds, record our unshaken confidence in his moral integrity.

Mr. Kennedy fully concurred with the Commission in its action.

The Commission then adjourned to meet in the morning for a devotional meeting and to read and pass the minutes. Closed with prayer by Rev. J. S. Stewart.

SATURDAY, 10 A. M.

The Commission, having met, was constituted with prayer by Rev. W. McCarroll.

The minutes were then read and approved. After a devotional meeting the Commission was adjourned with prayer by the Moderator, Rev. C. A. Dodds, to meet in Larnaca, according to previous arrangements, as nearly as practicable to the first of November, 1905.

C. A. DODDS, *Chairman.*
W. MCCARROLL, *Clerk.*

Paper No. 11.—Communication from the National Federation of Churches. Laid on the table indefinitely.

Report of Special Committee on Foreign Correspondence. The report was accepted and adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

The Special Committee on Foreign Correspondence respectfully reports:

Since last Synod the Clerk has placed in our hands a letter from the Synod of Scotland, dated May 24th, 1904. To this we forwarded a reply on the 20th of April last, the Synod of Scotland convening on the 15th of May at Glasgow.

The Synod of Ireland is to meet on the 26th of June at Belfast, and it has not been necessary to prepare a letter to that Synod in advance of the present meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
D. B. WILLSON, *Chairman.*

REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, May 24th, 1904.

To the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in the United States of America:

Brethren in the Lord and fellow labourers in the same Covenanted Testimony, the Synod in Scotland heartily reciprocates your fraternal salutations and thanks you for that when there was an interruption in the correspondence, through oversight on our part, you took not umbrage at us, but in the fulness of your desire that friendly relations should continue overlooked our remissness, and following the Divine injunction "be courteous, not rendering evil for evil," sent on your warm greetings and good wishes.

Our Synod rejoices in all the tokens of the Lord's goodness enjoyed by you. It is greatly gratified to learn of the buoyancy of all the organizations in operation in the Covenanting Church in America. It envies your approximation to the Scripture ideal in that you have in the membership representatives of so many nationalities—sable sons of Africa, sons of the native race of America, children of the Great Empire of China, besides others, above all children of the seed of Abraham, God's friend—and all these looked on and treated as brethren in the Lord. In the good work engaged in by you our Synod bids you God-speed, and prays that you may be prospered as many times more than you have been prospered in the past, and would say with Haggai, "Be strong and work for God is with you . . . . fear ye not."

In speaking of ourselves we cannot report of such life and prosperity as you can tell of. You will grieve with us over the struggles for conscience sake which have had to be entered on in England in connection with the education question, and in the growing influence which the liquor interest has obtained in England. The strength of the British Government is all thrown into the scale against equity and righteousness so far as affects these questions. In the case of education a premium has been put on the propagation of error and the inculcation of Romish superstition in the seminaries of England, while those who plead for and seek to promote evangelical truth are trampled on and scorned. And the legislature is dominated by a spirit of opposition to those who seek to further Temperance Reform. At present a measure is in process of formation which, if successful, will make the drink seller master of the situation. In these circumstances our little Church feels all the more in duty bound to remain separate from the body politic and to continue witnessing in sackcloth because Christ and His authority is still ignored, and because still the voice of the multitude is "Not this man, but Barabbas." We do not wonder that these things are so, but view them as incentives to greater devotedness to the cause which is Christ's own. And we are trying to keep the old, blue banner, "For Christ's Crown and Covenant," still floating in the breeze. We are trying, as we can, to hold forth Christ as Prince of the Kings of the earth and Governor among the nations. The doctrine is assented to by very many, but in the position of political dissent from the established order of things men fail to see the utility, nay the necessity of, involving, as that does, privations of a civic kind and hindrances to success socially, and so we remain few in number, very few. But we believe in the rightness of the principle and position; we believe too in the ultimate universal adoption of the same and, therefore, we endeavour to "follow our worthy ancestors in maintaining and diffusing the principles of the Reformation."

It will interest you to know that we have now a cause in Edinburgh, that old, historic city. This came about through the accession to our fellowship of a congregation of "Original Seceders." The congregation is not a large one, still it is an opening. Its minister is the Rev. Henry Paton, M.A.

Some attention is being given to Home Mission work by our Church and the efforts put forth are not unattended with success.

The interest in Foreign Missions is being maintained among us, and we are desirous, if only suitable agents were forthcoming, of having one or two more missionaries in the field.

Having no further matter to write unto you we conclude by praying "The Lord bless thee and keep thee: the Lord cause His face to shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee: the Lord lift up the light of His countenance upon you and give you peace."

In name of our Synod,

James Paterson, *Moderator.*
John McDonald, *Clerk.*

LETTER TO THE SYNOD IN SCOTLAND.

ALLEGHENY, PA., MAY 1ST, 1905.

You will have before you at your session this month the letter prepared by our Synod at Sparta, Illinois, nearly a year ago. A Committee was then appointed to forward a second letter, that you might have later information.

First of all, we must recount afflictive providences. Miss Willia A. Dodds, of the Syrian Mission, whose disability was made known to you, has returned home, and, while she is yet spared, there is no thought of any further service. In the China field we have sustained a great loss in the unexpected death of Dr. J. Maude George. After careful preparation she went out in September, 1901, and in the same month in 1904 she was called to her reward. He doeth all things well. In the home field five of the ministry have passed away. Rev. A. W. Johnston, M.D., for a time a pastor in Vermont, and afterward a practitioner of medicine, occasionally preaching, died September 23d, 1904, in his sixtieth year, and Rev. John Galbraith, September 30th, 1904, in his eighty-seventh year. Three died in February—Rev. Dr. H. P. McClurkin on February 18th, in his eighty-fourth year; on the same day Rev. Preston H. Wylie, in his eighty-third year, and the following day Rev. Joseph McCracken, in his eightieth year. Mr. Galbraith was born near Strabane; Mr. McCracken at Rathfriland. All these aged men were long pastors, retiring only when the infirmities of age required them. "I must work the works of Him that sent me while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work."

The college at Beaver Falls has had a good year. The theological seminary last week sent forth four young men to take up the office of the ministry. We were much encouraged by the large first year class—eight entering last fall. The mission school in Alabama is large and we have an excellent corps of teachers. They have to undergo social ostracism because of their position. Thus they bear the reproach of Christ. The mission work at Oakland, on the Pacific coast, conducted by Rev. Isaiah Faris, has shown signs of revival under his care, and six of the Chinese lately came forward for baptism. We are glad to labor for the salvation of this people, so harshly dealt with under the discriminating law. Dr. and Mrs. Calvin McCarroll went to Cyprus and Rev. J. A. Kempf to China, as missionaries, last fall.

The truth as to the authority of Christ over the nation is made known by several of our ministers as special laborers. There is a wide-spread spirit of opposition to the desecration of the Sabbath, to the license of the sale of liquor, and to the prevailing unjust methods of gaining wealth. There is, however, little evidence of perception of the crowning sin of the nation in making the will of the people the standard and in refusing allegiance to the law of Christ as the supreme law for national life. "Be wise now therefore, O ye kings: be instructed, ye judges of the earth. Serve the Lord with fear, and rejoice with trembling. Kiss the Son, lest he be angry."

We have received from the Clerk of our Synod your letter of May 24th last, and shall lay it before Synod at its approaching session.

May grace, mercy and peace be with you from God our Father and Jesus Christ our Lord.

Signed on behalf of the committee of Synod.

D. B. WILLSON, *Chairman.*

The consideration of report on Unfinished Business was resumed.

Item 3.—On Revision of the Book of Discipline. Laid on the table indefinitely.

Item 4.—Delegate to Christian Reformed Church, C. M. Smith, reported. Report accepted and the financial item referred to Committee on Finance.

Item 5.—Report of Committee on Closer Relations with Christian Reformed Church. Report was received and adopted, and is as follows:

Your Committee, appointed to coöperate with a similar Committee from the Christian Reformed Church in moral reform work, report that the appointment of a Committee by the sister denomination was unintentionally overlooked at their last meeting of Synod, so that no attempt at coöperation through Committees could be made. Believing, however, that we could carry out the spirit of the appointment, your Committee sought to awaken an interest in the National Reform work by sending programs and literature to ministers of the denomination mentioned. Another line of effort was suggested by the Editor of *The Banner of Truth*, the English bi-monthly published by the Christian Reformed Church. He expressed it as his opinion that articles bearing upon the history, purpose and work of the National Reform Association would be interesting and profitable to his people, and requested such articles for publication. In keeping with this request, articles have been prepared by the ministerial members of the Committee, setting forth the fundamental principles of national reforms, and also the many practical applications of these principles. We are hopeful that in this way some good has been accomplished. Respectfully submitted,

C. McLeod Smith,
C. D. Trumbull,
J. C. McCandless,
T. C. Sproull,
Hunter Johnston,
Committee.

Item 6.—Printing and sale of Minutes of Synod. The report was received and the financial item referred to Committee on Finance.

The report was adopted, and is as follows:

Printing and Sale of Minutes of 1904.

The Treasurer of Literary Fund would respectfully report that he published 801 copies of the Minutes of 1904.

Expense for printing		$308 75
Expense for postage		32 20
		$340 95
Copies sold	791	237 30
Copies free or lost	10	
	801	
Deficit		$103 65

All the copies were sold before October 1st, 1904.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. Tibby, *Treasurer.*

Item 7.—The Clerk reported. The report was received and adopted, and is as follows:

LETTER TO THE RAILROAD COMPANIES.

The letter to the railroad companies requesting them to cease all traffic on the Lord's Day, adopted by last Synod and ordered to be forwarded to the Board of Directors of each railroad company in the United States and Canada, was printed in typewriter form, directed, signed by the Moderator and Clerk and sent to these companies, which number in all about nine hundred and seventy-five. Interesting replies were received from many of these companies, showing that the question of Sabbath observance is a living one with the officers of these roads, and that the communication of the Synod was not without effect. Some of the officials of the smaller roads declare that they will not allow the Sabbath to be violated while they have control, while the officers of the larger roads plead the pressure of traffic and say that they are doing the best they can. A few find fault with the Christian people and urge that if Christians would keep the Sabbath the railways would stop running trains on that day.

This circular letter to the railroad companies was enclosed in another suggesting like action, and sent to many churches and reform associations. It is not known what action has been taken on this suggestion in any one case, but it is evident that if all religious bodies would protest directly against all traffic on the Lord's Day, it would have a powerful and far-reaching effect.

The expense of printing, directing and mailing all these letters amounted to forty-one dollars, all of which was raised by private subscription for the purpose.

W. J. Coleman, *Clerk.*

Item 8.—Attended to.

Item 9.—Attended to.

Item 10.—Attended to.

Item 11.—Laid on the table until Item 2 comes up again for consideration.

Item 12.—The Clerk reported. The report was received, amended and adopted, and is as follows:

Correction of Minutes of 1904.

Page 57, line 25, for "Jane" read Jean.

Page 99, line 43, for "S. S." read S. F. Dill.

Page 135, line 13, for "Hill" read Hice.

Page 24, line 7, for "March 27th" read May 27th.

Item 13.—Matter of the resignation of Walter T. Miller overlooked last year. The Committee reported. The report was received and adopted, and is as follows:

Report of Committee to communicate to Walter T. Miller Synod's action on his resignation as Treasurer of the Foreign Mission Board.

Your Committee begs to say that they have sought to carry out Synod's wish, and have addressed the following communication to Mr. Miller:

We beg to say, in behalf of Synod, that we commend you for your long continued consecration of abilities, both natural and acquired, which eminently qualify you for this particular service; for your expenditure of time and effort without stint. Your most valuable services, unrequited by any financial remuneration, have brought to you the unshaken confidence, highest esteem and warmest affection of the whole Reformed Presbyterian Church. It is in view of this, therefore, that Synod calls with an undivided voice for your continuation in these duties. We trust that you may be able to long fulfill Synod's wish.

Faithfully and fraternally yours,

I. A. Blackwood,
F. M. Foster,
S. Carmichael.

Report of Unfinished Business was laid on the table for the present.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

Discipline.—R. C. Wylie, D. C. Faris, C. M. Smith, William Martin, Robert Speer.

Finance.—D. B. Willson, Thomas McFall, D. C. Mathews, A. D. McNeill, S. A. S. Metheny.

Foreign Missions.—T. C. Sproull, S. McNaugher, S. G. Conner, Joseph McKnight, John Kilpatrick.

Home Missions.—J. C. McFeeters, Louis Meyer, J. C. Slater, W. W. Dickey, John Birnie.

Nominations.—J. S. Thompson, S. J. Johnston, W. G. Robb, S. A. Fyffe, T. J. Joseph.

Supplies.—S. G. Shaw, W. C. Paden, R. J. Gault, J. E. Dodds, R. B. Crocket.

Sustentation and Church Erection.—A. Kilpatrick, S. E. Greer, W. J. McBurney, John A. Newcomb, J. G. McConnell.

Theological Seminary and Education.—W. W. Carithers, G. M. Robb, R. A. Blair, M. G. Euwer, Henry Hogg.

Traveling Fund.—A. J. McFarland, Jr., and the Financial Agents of each Presbytery.

National Reform.—M. M. Pearce, J. Milligan Wylie, Isaiah Faris, John Crozier, David Love.

Foreign Correspondence.—A. J. McFarland, Sr., Samuel Edgar, H. G. Patterson, J. D. George, James Greer.

J. S. Martin reported the printing of Order of Business and Devotional Exercises attended to. Financial item referred to Committee on Finance.

Synod adjourned with prayer by the Moderator.

MORNING SESSION.

Same place, Friday, May 26th, 9 A. M., Synod met and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

Roll called. The following persons were absent: J. F. Crozier, Robert Davis, J. R. Latimer, J. G. McConnell, George Martin, S. A. S. Metheny, Robert Speer. Most of these soon appeared.

The minutes were read and approved.

Additional papers were laid on the table.

Paper No. 12.—Certificate of and communication from the delegate of the Executive Commission of the Reformed Churches. Referred to a special committee.

Paper No. 13.—Report of the Reformed Presbyterian Woman's Association. Report approved and financial item referred to the Committee on Finance.

Paper No. 14.—Memorial from Seattle congregation. Same reference.

Paper No. 15.—Memorial of John A. Dodds and others. Referred to Committee on National Reform.

S. A. Fyffe was granted optional attendance till Monday.

C. M. Smith was appointed the Moderator's alternate to preach the sermon at next Synod.

Report of Board of Sustentation. Referred to Committees on Sustentation and Church Erection, and Finance.

Report of Board of Church Erection. Same reference.

Report of Board of Control. Same reference.

Report of Board of Foreign Missions. Referred to Committees on Foreign Missions, and Finance.

Report of Central Board of Missions. Referred to Committees on Home Missions, and Finance.

Report of Jewish Mission was made the first order for the afternoon session.

Report of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary. Referred to Committees on Theological Seminary and Education, and Finance.

The courtesies of the floor were extended to Revs. C. W. Foulke, W. B. Stoddard, L. B. Young, F. F. Shulz.

Report of the Committee on the Signs of the Times. Report received and adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SIGNS OF THE TIMES.

We recommend,

1. That our people, and especially our ministers, be urged to study the events of God's providence in the light of His word, with a view on the one hand to stir up a spirit of gratitude for divine favors, and on the other to humble us because of our unworthiness and sins.

2. That our ministers be advised, in their prayers and other public exercises of worship on all occasions, but particularly on days set apart for the special purpose, to direct the attention of the people to such events as are suited to call forth gratitude, or seem designed to lead to repentance and humiliation.

3. Among the causes of thanksgiving we note the following: That God still sends rain and fruitful seasons to be shared alike by the just and the unjust; that the cruelties of war are overruled for the rebuking of injustice and oppression; that the heathen world is opening up for the entrance of the gospel; that men of political influence are speaking out for Christian morality; that the ear of the public is open to the discussion of reform topics, and that in the churches there has been some movement among the dry bones. For these and many like causes we recommend the observance of the annual day of thanksgiving on the last Thursday of November.

4. Among the causes of fasting we mention: The prevalence of crime and crime-breeding customs and institutions; the general disregard of God's word, name, day and ordinances; the luke-warmness and lax discipline in the churches, and the continued refusal of nations, that have the gospel, to submit to the authority of Christ, notwithstanding the daily reported calamities on sea and land which are warning us that except we repent we shall perish. For these and many like causes we recommend that the Thursday of the week of prayer be observed by all our congregations as a day of fasting, humiliation and prayer.

Respectfully submitted.

ISAIAH FARIS,
G. W. BENN,
THOMAS PATTON,
J. P. BAIRD,
Committee.

Report of Committee on the State of Religion. Report received and adopted, and is as follows:

THE REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF RELIGION.

At the opening of the year we forwarded to every pastor and congregation a printed slip, requesting answers to the following inquiries:

Has there been any unusual interest in your congregation during the present Synodical year?

How many have united by profession of faith, and of these what number from the world?

Are the young people loyal to the Church and becoming active in Christian service?

Is there any positive hunger for the Word of God and the salvation of men?

Is there any growth in the spirit of giving?

Does our testimony of Jesus Christ as King manifest any practical influence in the home and community life of your people?

What special difficulties are there in your field?

We thought that, as these inquiries were of a general nature, every

session could furnish satisfactory answers, and your Committee could present a fair report of our religious standing as a denomination.

The replies have been forwarded from a large number of the churches, and they are marked for their candor—they show no desire to present things in a light more favorable than the facts allow. We must admit the difficulty of estimating accurately, by any method, the spiritual condition of a congregation; the life in many cases is deeper than outwardly manifested, and now and then there is a name to live where the Spirit discerns no inner grace. And different minds view the religious state of a Church from different view points, largely influenced by what seems to themselves of the greatest importance. Some are naturally more buoyant than others. So we found a variety of views, the large number hopeful, a few inclined to a dark view of the conditions.

From these reports we gather the following as a consensus of opinion: There has been no unusual interest in our Congregations but a "sustained" interest; a few report special meetings of evangelistic nature and special efforts in church building; the regular ordinances have been observed and supported with the usual failthfulness; the young are largely loyal and active; a manifestation among some of a deep hunger for the Word and the salvation of the lost; a steady growth in the spirit of giving; and to a certain degree our testimony manifests its influence in the life of our members. In a word our condition is not cold, not lukewarm, and it is not hot. We are not reigning in life by Jesus Christ as we should.

WE HAVE OUR STRONG POINTS AS A DENOMINATION.

The ordinances have a place in the hearts of our people, the Sabbath is carefully observed, prayer meetings attended, family worship in our homes. There is a marked faithfulness in attendance on Church services, and the support of its worship. A hopeful feature this is in an age so devoted to worldliness and so inclined to forsake the Courts of Zion. The counsel of Jeremy Taylor was: "If thou meanest to enlarge thy religion do it rather by enlarging thine ordinary devotions than thine extraordinary."

As a Church we have been actuated largely by the spirit of these words. Make the ordinary devotions genuine, carry into them a full supply of the Spirit of Christ Jesus, and there will be shown the hearty sustained interest and at times an unusual outburst of spiritual power. Our services are marked for their simplicity of worship and the emphasis placed on the opening of the Word. We should be grateful that there is such hearty response to the ordinary means of Grace and that no worldly attraction is necessary to draw our people to God's house.

The youth are largely loyal and active. Many reports are enthusiastic in this regard. A few say, "Some are and others not." We may safely affirm that our young are largely taking the place of their parents in our different churches and are desirous of helping in the work. "The best ground for prophecy of the near future," said Bacon, "is to be found in the unforced preferences of well-instructed youth." Surely it is a hopeful sign when we see the rising generation joining the Church and devoting themselves to its interests.

The spirit of giving is increasing. To the inquiry, "Is there any growth in the spirit of giving?" the general answer is, "Yes," "Decidedly so," "Yes, our Congregation will have given more this year than ever." Some have made great sacrifices in erecting new churches, others have increased their general contributions. One of our small congregations reports an average of forty dollars per member; another has made an increase of twenty-five per cent. over last year.

The influence of our testimony as to JESUS as KING is manifest in the faithfulness and purity of pastors, officers and members in their daily

walk. For the most part there is marked consistency between the profession and conduct.

WE HAVE OUR WEAK POINTS.

Our growth numerically is small; our influence over the world so far as bringing them into Church fellowship is very little. Some congregations report no increase, others a small gain chiefly from our homes, few from the outside. This weakness is not peculiar to ourselves; as a problem it faces all denominations, but the reports show that it is one that we specially should take to heart and seek to solve. The Church, OUR Church, is in the world for one purpose, His purpose, "I am come to save the lost." When we fail here we are no longer an organic member of His body; we have become a mere outward organization which in time must pass away.

Our passion for the study of the Word and the salvation of men lacks vigor. "There can be no winning of souls without weeping for them," said Spurgeon. While we support the ordinances and believe in pure worship and preaching, yet we are not enthusiastic in soul saving. There is a lack of using the Scriptures as a means of living grace, of seeking through them the deeper foilowship of Jesus Christ in his sufferings for a lost world. There is a tendency to make Bible study an end in itself, and not a means to the great end. There is a lack of deep compassion for those "distressed and scattered, as sheep not having a shepherd." For the most part our youth are entering the commercial life, few are dedicating themselves to the more direct service of the Church as ministers, teachers, missionaries. The Church at large is experiencing a great want of workers. Every denomination is feeling it. The money making atmosphere fills the homes from which the youth come; parents are thinking more of gold than of God. As a denomination we must face the question, Where will come our future teaching and missionary forces if the youth do not respond? Parents especially should take this to heart. We fail to grasp spiritually our testimony of Jesus as King; we fail to give it the place it deserves in our daily living. While our members are marked largely for their moral living, yet the tendency is to consider our testimony from the negative side as some of the reports show. "The people know that we do not vote," "No cases of discipline," etc. No testimony has force unless realized as a positive factor in daily living, a ruling principle of the whole life. Then it elicits the joyful service and willing sacrifices of its professors, and makes a lasting impression on the world. With our profession of the Kingly Master we should be the most kingly in our conversation. With such a doctrine incarnated in our hearts, we should be transformed into the image of the kingly beatitudes of our Lord from glory to glory—the glory of poverty of spirit, of meakness of disposition, of a hunger and thirst for rightness, a merciful and peaceful heart, a willingness to be persecuted like the prophets for the sake of the Evangel. The world waits for such kingliness in our day. Are we manifesting it? Is it not true that with all of our testimony we fail in the kingly? Certainly there must be a broader and deeper application of our belief if we are to convince the world that JESUS is KING.

WE HAVE OUR NEEDS.

They are many—as an organism in vital union with Jesus Christ they must be. His perfect stature is our only ideal; our growth must be into Him in all things. Our greatest need is the spiritual illumination that will give us a new understanding of the hope of His calling, the glory of His inheritance in us, and the greatness of His power in those that believe.

We should know our weak points and consult in what way these may be removed. We must seek a deep spiritual awakening in every department.

We need more spiritual teaching from our pulpits and in our homes of the basal principles of the Christian religion, more of the fatherly influence on the part of Church officers over the weak and erring ones, more brotherly love among members, greater confidence in each other as co-workers in Jesus Christ, more of the arousing of our young to the sense of having a positive mission, of being enlisted in a great cause and sharing in a great conflict.

We need to study our methods and adapt them more to the problems of the day, pruning out the dead branches and ingrafting new and healthy cuttings—living less in the past and planning more for the future.

We need to see new motive depths in the Evangel we love, and experience a new wave of vision from its eternal sources, the Cross and the Throne, ever remembering that the Church is only Christian as it is the organ of the continuous passion of Jesus Christ.

With deep gratitude to our Father for His manifold loving kindness in maintaining us as a denomination, and sending His Spirit to abide with us, let us rededicate ourselves as a Church to the work assigned by our ascended Lord, and seek to abide more in His name that the Holy Spirit may revive and strengthen us for the greater works of the New Testament dispensation.

JOHN W. F. CARLISLE,
JOHN H. PRITCHARD,
SAMUEL M. ORR,
WILLIAM HANNA,
Committee.

Report of Committee on Secret Societies. Report received and taken up item by item for adoption.

At the request of Synod, Rev. W. B. Stoddard, Secretary of the National Christian Association, was given ten minutes, in which he spoke of his work along the line of the report. The report was laid on the table for the present.

Devotional exercises were engaged in, John Birnie presiding.

Synod took a recess until 2 P. M. Prayer by E. G. Elsey.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Same place, 2 P. M., Synod met and was led in prayer by R. M. Sommerville.

Roll called. The following persons were absent: J. D. George, M. A. Gault, W. P. Johnston, George Kennedy, J. S. McGaw, George Martin, S. A. S. Metheny. Most of these soon appeared.

The minutes were read and approved.

It was resolved that the Treasurer of the Literary Fund have a book of blank certificates printed for the use of sessions and congregations.

The invitation to hold the next meeting of Synod at Belle Cen-

ter, Ohio, was accepted, and May 30th, 1906, at 10.30 A. M., was fixed as the time for Synod to convene.

Report of Board of Jewish Mission. Report received and referred to Committees on Home Missions, and Finance.

Report of Synod's Board of Trustees. Report received and referred to Committee on Finance.

The courtesies of the floor were extended to Revs. A. F. Atcheson, J. H. Miller, Charles Bell.

The hour for hearing Dr. John Lynd having arrived, he was invited to the platform, and spoke to the great delight of all present.

Paper No. 16.—Letter from the Reformed Presbyterian Synod in Ireland. The letter was read and referred to the Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

Reports of the Committee on Testimony Bearing and of the Executive Committee of the National Reform Association were made the order of the day.

Report of the Committee on Testimony Bearing. The item in this report pertaining to finance was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The report was adopted, and is as follows:

TESTIMONY BEARING.

A war, to be successful, must be carried on aggressively. The force that attacks may not always succeed, but as a rule it wins the day, and so affords us the best illustration of how we should proceed in fighting the battles of the Lord. Mission work is aggressive, for missionaries are those who are sent into new fields or to a people not before reached. Reform work must be aggressive and urge a change on that which is to be made better. The forces of evil, too, are aggressive, and the world, under the leadership of the Prince of Darkness, seeks to make way with whatever stands in its path. Even the rock wears away before the wave, the sandstorm and the frost, and men are not rock but endure assaults only with suffering and loss.

Our conclusion is, that if we hold the distinctive principles of our Church in a defensive manner, we may expect as a Church to lose in the battle of life. If we preach them only at home, and there only when we feel the need of so doing, we will gain no new strength, and ultimately we will lose what we have. To hold an unpopular position in a weak way is to invite defeat. If we hold our principles only as questions to ask those who wish to join us and not as a means of persuasion to bring men to us, then the men, who want growth more than principles, will soon be ready not to ask the questions. The church that wins is the church that pushes the battle to the gate.

Your Committee's idea of Testimony Bearing is that it is an aggressive, persuasive, unflinching setting forth of our great principles; a movement that seeks the opportunity and improves it when it comes. Having faith in the blessing of God and some degree of confidence in the candor and honesty of men, it aims to tell out the truth of God, and the whole truth, keeping nothing back, with the assurance that such a testimony cannot fail of good results.

It is a radical movement that does not content itself with knocking the bad fruit off the top branches, but goes to the root of the tree and aims to make the tree good, that its fruit may be good. We would like to make it the forward movement of the whole Church, acting together and with aggressiveness. Such a movement, if prosecuted with energy and enthusiam, could not fail to strengthen our stakes and to require the lengthening of the cords of our habitation.

One of the best means to interest our people and to increase our faith is to arrange conventions in our Churches and call in our friends and neighbors to aid us in the presentation of our principles. During the year the Rev. R. J. Gault arranged for and held a stirring convention in New Alexandria, Rev. J. R. Latimer one at Rose Point, Dr. F. M. Foster one in Third New York, Dr. McFarland one in Geneva College and Dr. McFeeters one in Philadelphia. Discussions of our distinctive principles were also arranged for at meetings of Presbyteries that did much good.

From the middle of June, 1904, until the end of the year Dr. A. J. McFarland labored, for the most part, in Western Pennsylvania and Ohio, while localities in which he had spoken one or more times were revisited. Many openings were found in places where the Gospel for the Christian citizen had never been presented. At the beginning of the present year an extensive tour in the West was planned. Points were made in Kansas, Colorado, Oklahoma and Illinois. The aid of Covenanter brethren was requested, and in every case was cheerfully given. Through this efficient help an open door for the doctrine pertaining to Christ's Kingdom was readily obtained in most cases.

The Rev. W. J. McKnight was employed for two months during the winter, between December 25th and March 3d, and delivered thirty-five addresses. He adopted a new plan, spending a week at each place. He began with a discourse on the authority of the Bible and followed this with lectures on the Psalms, Instrumental Music, Secret Societies and Political Loyalty on successive evenings. The lectures were well received and made a deep impression. Mr. McKnight was paid by funds specially contributed for the purpose. We would like to be able to continue and extend this work.

Tracts and leaflets have been sent out, as usual, and everyone requesting them has been supplied, but the Committee has not had sufficient funds in hand to send them out in large numbers, as we would like to do. Two new and excellent leaflets are just published, being paid for by money contributed for the purpose of providing literature, *The Attitude of Protest the Attitude of Power*, by Dr. A. Kilpatrick, and *Labor Unions*, by the Rev. J. S. Thompson. These are well worthy of a careful reading, and, we hope, will have a wide circulation.

The Memorial to Congress approved by Synod, declaring our dissent from the Constitution of the United States and praying for a recognition of Christ and His law, was printed and sent out to the congregations to be signed and forwarded to the members of Congress for presentation. This is one way in which Covenanters can vote consistently every year and have their vote counted by the Congress of the United States.

We are in a much better condition financially than a year ago. Last year there was a deficit of $136.37, while this year there is a balance in our favor of $345.26. We request the appropriation of $4,000 to sustain this work.

We submit the following recommendations:

1. That our Committee be enlarged by adding the names of Revs. J. S. Thompson and E. L. McKnight and Elder J. H. McBurney.
2. That Dr. A. J. McFarland be reëlected Synod's lecturer on Testimony Bearing.
3. That, as the funds will permit, leaflets be sent out freely to ministers and members of all Churches, and that the young people in all our congregations be invited to engage in this work.

4. That our ministers and elders be urged to arrange for conventions at which our distinctive principles may be freely and fully discussed, and to take pains that these conventions be widely advertised.
5. That the people of the whole Church be exhorted to bear in mind that we maintain our principles safely only when we are teaching them to others, and that to be faithful we must be aggressive.

W. J. Coleman,
O. Wylie,
John T. Morton,
R. J. Gault,
B. M. Sharp.

The courtesies of the floor were extended to Rev. M. W. Keefe.

The Moderator appointed Committees as follows:

COMMITTEES ON RECORDS OF PRESBYTERIES.

Colorado.—J. B. Gilmore, M. A. Gault, James Torrens.
Illinois.—J. M. Foster, P. J. McDonald, John Crozier.
Iowa.—W. J. McKnight, D. H. Elliott, J. R. Henderson.
Kansas.—F. M. Wilson, S. R. Wallace, W. W. Twinam.
Lakes.—W. McFarland, R. H. Martin, Robert Davis.
N. B. and N. S.—J. W. Dill, E. M. Elsey, Richard Elliott.
New York.—C. D. Trumbull, R. A. Blair, R. J. McCracken.
Ohio.—J. R. Wylie, T. A. McElwain, James D. Latham.
Philadelphia.—G. A. Edgar, S. J. Crowe, J. H. Curry.
Pittsburgh.—J. M. Johnston, John Yates, D. D. Mearns.
Rochester.—E. G. Elsey, Robert Clarke, Robert Allen.
Vermont.—W. J. Sanderson, G. W. Benn, H. B. White.

The Committee on Nominations reported. The report was adopted, and is as follows:

To Prepare a Minute on the Death of A. W. Johnston.—J. C. McFeeters, J. M. Faris, J. G. McConnell.

On the Death of John Galbraith.—S. J. Crowe, A. Kilpatrick, J. M. Douthett.

On the Death of H. P. McClurkin.—J. Boggs Dodds, W. W. Carithers, J. R. Magee.

On the Death of P. H. Wylie.—J. Milligan Wylie, A. A. Samson, J. W. Dougherty.

On the Death of Joseph McCracken.—T. C. Sproull, H. G. Patterson, J. S. Cannon.

To Review the Minutes of the Syrian Commission.—C. D. Trumbull, M. A. Gault, A. C. Coulter.

Monday, at 3 P. M., was fixed as the hour for hearing the reports of the Committees on the deaths above mentioned; a short memorial service to be held in connection therewith.

Report of the Executive Committee of the National Reform Association. Report referred to the Committees on National Reform, and Finance.

It was resolved that a Committee be appointed to write a letter of sympathy to Rev. T. H. Acheson.

Committee on Discipline made a partial report. The report was accepted and adopted, and is as follows:

PARTIAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DISCIPLINE.

The Committee on Discipline respectfully reports that the following papers have been referred to us:

1. Appeal, with accompanying documents, of J. S. Dodds, from Pittsburgh Presbytery's confirmation, of the action of the session of the East End Congregation in suspending him from the privileges of the Church because of his views on political dissent and his active participation in a political election.

These papers are regular and ready for the action of this Court, except that Mr. Dodds lays before Synod the same appeal as was presented to Pittsburgh Presbytery from the action of the session of the East End Congregation instead of framing a new appeal from the action of the Presbytery.

Notwithstanding this irregularity, we recommend that provision be at once made for hearing and deciding this case, and that a commission be appointed for this purpose, consisting of four ministers and three elders, with instructions to report to this Synod.

R. C. WYLIE, *Chairman.*

Pursuant to the above, the following Commission was appointed: D. S. Faris, C. D. Trumbull, J. A. Black, T. P. Stevenson, J. M. Aikin, Walter T. Miller, S. A. S. Metheny.

Synod adjourned with prayer by D. McAllister.

MORNING SESSION.

Same place, Saturday, May 27th, at 9 A. M., Synod met and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

Roll called. The following persons were absent: W. W. Dickey, W. S. Fulton, George Kennedy, J. R. Latimer, George Martin. Most of these soon appeared.

The minutes were read, corrected and approved.

It was resolved that Synod adjourn at 12 M. instead of 1 P. M.

C. D. Trumbull was appointed to sign railroad certificates.

Committee on Nominations reported. The report was received and adopted, and is as follows:

Committee to Examine and Report on Papers from Alliance of Reformed Churches.—D. S. Faris, J. A. Black, T. M. Slater, William Martin.

To Write a Letter of Sympathy to T. H. Acheson.—J. Milligan Wylie, F. M. Wilson, H. A. Young.

Report of the Financial Agent of the National Reform Association. The report was received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Board of Corporators and the Board of Trustees of Geneva College reported. The report was received and referred to the Committees on Theological Seminary and Education, and Finance.

Report of Mission Conference. The report was received, amended and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Report of the Commission on the matter of appeal of Dr. J. S. Dodds from the decision of the Pittsburgh Presbytery. The report was received and approved, and is as follows:

In the matter of the appeal of Dr. Joseph S. Dodds from the decision of the Pittsburgh Presbytery, the Commission of the Synod, appointed May 26th, 1905, to consider and issue the same, met in the pastor's study of the Church in New Castle, Pa., on the evening of the same day.

Members all present.

The Commission was called to order by the Moderator of the Commission and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

Walter T. Miller was appointed Clerk; Rev. J. A. Black was appointed Assistant Clerk.

The papers relating to the case were read. The parties were present, and were heard and removed.

On motion, and after discussion, the decision of the Pittsburgh Presbytery was unanimously confirmed.

On motion, these minutes were read, approved and adopted.

After which the Commission adjourned "sine die."

Prayer by Rev. J. A. Black.

D. S. Faris, *Moderator.*
Walter T. Miller, *Clerk.*

Report on Unfinished Business was taken from the table. Item 2 was taken up for consideration. It was resolved that the report of A. J. McFarland, Jr., be taken up item by item for adoption, and that the report of F. M. Foster be also considered in connection therewith. While these reports were under consideration the hour for devotional exercises arrived.

G. H. McCaw was granted leave of absence after to-day.

Devotional exercises were engaged in, J. C. McFeeters presiding.

Synod adjourned with prayer by the Moderator.

MORNING SESSION.

Same place, Monday, May 29th, 9 A. M., Synod met, and in the absence of the Moderator the Clerk called the court to order and T. C. Sproull, the late Moderator, was called to the chair and constituted the court with prayer.

Roll-call was omitted. The minutes were read, corrected and approved.

H. P. White and A. D. McNeill were granted leave of absence.

Reports of Presbyteries was made the order of the day. The following reported: Iowa, Illinois, Kansas, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Rochester, Vermont. These reports were received and adopted, and referred to the appropriate Committees.

Question asked: Can a Presbytery be constituted where there is only one ministerial member? Referred to Committee on Discipline.

Statistical report of Stated Clerk. The report was received and adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF STATED CLERK.

OUR STATISTICS.

The Presbyterial reports were not as satisfactory this year as were those twelve months ago. While some were carefully prepared, corrected and received in time, others were evidently made out in a hurry, and had inexcusable mistakes. Several were received at a later date than they should have been. This, in every case, was occasioned by pastors or sessions neglecting to forward the Congregational reports at the proper time. By waiting until the very last minute to prepare the Synodical report and embodying the Congregational which had been forwarded to him after they had been received by the clerks of Presbyteries, but too late for them to use, your Clerk is able to present almost complete statistics. Only two of the Congregational reports and one of the Mission Stations are taken from previous years. These are numerically very weak and affect the result but very little.

Summary.—There are reported, this year, 115 congregations, 5 mission stations, 132 ministers, 1 of whom is an Armenian and 1 a Greek; 13 licentiates, 1 of whom is a Greek and 2 Syrians; 8 theological students, 9,681 communicants, an increase of 688 and a decrease of 631; a Sabbath School attendance of 9,037, a Young People's Society attendance of 2,061 and a total contribution of $212,627.

Congregations.—82 have pastors, 5 are supplied by unsettled ministers, 1 by a pastor, 1 by a missionary, 2 are under the care of the Syrian Commission, 1 (Baltimore) was disorganized by the Philadelphia Presbytery April 4th, 1905. There is a decrease of 1.

Mission Stations.—Oakland is under the care of the Central Board. The Jewish Mission is under the care of the Jewish Mission Board. Centre-

ville was discontinued by the Pittsburgh Presbytery at Parnassus May 9th. By the disorganization of the congregation, Baltimore became a mission station. The number is 5, the same as last year.

Ministers.—There were 1 ordination, 6 ordinations and installations, and 1 received by the Syrian Commission, 4 installations, 9 dissolutions of the pastoral relation, 5 deaths, 1 dismission to the Church in Ireland and 2 decrease by uniting with other denominations. The number is 132, the same as last year.

Julius Andrew Kempf was ordained as a missionary in the Second New York Church by the Presbytery of New York, August 31st, 1894; Samuel Edgar was ordained and installed pastor of La Junta Congregation by Colorado Presbytery, June 9th, 1904; Delber Harvey Elliott, pastor of Denison Congregation, by Kansas Presbytery, June 15th, 1904; Harvey Galbraith Patterson, pastor of Southfield Congregation, by Lakes Presbytery, October 11th, 1904; Robert Andrew Blair, pastor of Utica Congregation, by Ohio Presbytery, October 12th, 1904; Wilbur John McBurney, pastor of Muskingum and Tomika Congregation, October 25th, 1904, and John Yates, pastor of Syracuse Congregation, by Rochester Presbytery, April 4th, 1905.

One minister, A. Egyptiades, a Greek, was received from the Congregationalist Church by the Syrian Commission.

Rev. J. Boggs Dodds was installed pastor of Sterling Congregation by Kansas Presbytery, June 15th, 1904; Rev. T. M. Slater, pastor of Seattle Congregation, by a Commission of Colorado Presbytery, September 1st, 1904; Rev. J. S. McGaw, pastor of Sharon Congregation, by Iowa Presbytery, December 13th, 1904, and Rev. Herbert Bratton McMillan, pastor of Canon City Congregation, by Colorado Presbytery, December 26th, 1904.

The pastoral relation between Rev. G. M. Robb and Syracuse Congregation was dissolved by Rochester Presbytery, at Syracuse, September 7th, 1904; between Rev. W. McLeod George and Brooklyn Congregation, by a Commission of New York Presbytery in the Third New York Church, September 9th, 1904; between Rev. R. J. G. McKnight and Adamsville and Middletown Congregation, by Pittsburgh Presbytery, at Youngstown, Ohio, October 25th, 1904; between Rev. W. S. Fulton and Hebron Congregation, by Kansas Presbytery, November 3d, 1904; between Rev. J. S. McGaw and Beulah Congregation, by Kansas Presbytery, November 3d, 1904; between Rev. S. J. Johnston and Superior Congregation, by Kansas Presbytery, at New Castle, Pa., May 26th, 1905; between Rev. W. T. K. Thompson and St. John Congregation, by the New Brunswick and Nova Scotia Presbytery, at the same place, May 26th, 1904; between Rev. J. C. Slater and Johnathan's Creek Congregation, by Ohio Presbytery, same place, May 26th, 1905, and between Rev. P. P. Boyd and Almonte Congregation, by Rochester Presbytery, same place, May 25th, 1905.

The date of the dissolution of the pastoral relation between Mr. Slater and Bovina Congregation was May 27th, 1904, not March 27th.

Two pastors have double charges.

Rev. A. M. Thompson was certified to the Church in Ireland by Colorado Presbytery, Rev. James Patton was dismissed to the United Presbyterian Church by the same Presbytery, and Rev. Hugh McCarroll to the Presbyterian Church by the Iowa Presbytery, September 6th, 1904.

Rev. Archibald Warriston Johnston died at Northwood, Ohio, September 23d, 1904; Rev. John Galbraith, at Mars, Pa., September 30th, 1904; Rev. Hugh Park McClurkin, at Topeka, Kans., February 18th, 1905; Rev. Preston Harvey Wylie, at New Concord, Ohio, February 18th, 1905, and Rev. Joseph McCraken, at York, N. Y., February 19th, 1905.

Of the 52 unsettled ministers, 5 are stated supplies, 7 are foreign missionaries, 3 are laboring under the direction of the Central Board, 1 under the direction of the Jewish Mission Board, 2 are professors in the

Theological Seminary, 3 in Geneva College, 2 are engaged in reform work, 1 in Testimony Bearing, 6 are unable to engage actively in the work of the ministry, 4 are engaged all or part of their time in secular employment. All or part of the time of the others is at the disposal of Synod.

Licentiates.—William James McCullough was licensed in Chicago by Iowa Presbytery, May 23d, 1905. He has one year to attend at the Seminary. Licentiate Ibrahim Jukki, of the Syrian Commission, died at Suadia, February 7th, 1905.

Communicants.—Iowa, Kansas, Pittsburgh, Ohio and Colorado Presbyteries, the Syrian Commission and the Mission in China and 45 congregations report a net increase; New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, Lakes, Vermont, Philadelphia, Rochester, New York and Illinois Presbyteries and 42 congregations, a net decrease. The remaining congregations either report the same or make no report.

There is a net increase of 57; of the Church in America, of 37.

Sabbath School and Young People's Societies.—An attendance of 9,037 was reported in the former, a decrease of 484, and an attendance of 2,061 in the latter, an increase of 4.

An increase in contributions is reported in the Home Mission Fund of $1,366; Indian, of $393; Theological Seminary, of $1,149; National Reform, of $280; Testimony Bearing, of $133; Aged Ministers' Fund, of $493; Salaries, of $258, and Miscellaneous, of $430, and a decrease in the Syrian Mission Fund of $7,248; Mission in China, of $3,584; Southern Mission, of $554; Jewish Mission, of $401; Church Erection, of $369; of Sustentation, of $2,195; Widows and Orphans, of $21, and of totals, of $9.870.

Parsonages.—The following congregations and mission stations have parsonages: Almonte, Beulah, Belle Centre, Cincinnati, Coldenham, East Craftebury, Kortright, Lisbon, Lake Reno, Little Beaver, Lochiel, New Alexandria, New Concord, Princeton, Rehoboth, Sterling Mission Station, Topeka, Wilkinsburgh, York—19.

J. W. Sproull, *Stated Clerk.*

REPORT OF COLORADO PRESBYTERY, 1904-5.

Colorado Presbytery would respectfully report: We have held one regular meeting and one special meeting during the year. We have six congregations and nine ministers. Rev. J. M. Armour is superannuated. Rev. J. K. Robb is one of our missionaries in Tak Hing Chau, China. Rev. T. H. Acheson, Secretary of National Reform Association. During the past year S. Edgar was ordained and installed pastor of the La Junta Congregation, June 9th, 1904; Rev. T. M. Slater was installed pastor of Seattle, Wash., Congregation, September 1st, 1904, and Rev. H. B. McMillan installed pastor of Canon City, Colo., December 26th, 1904.

A request from Santa Ana, California, signed by twenty-seven members, asking for a separate organization of a congregation was granted. This will make another congregation of Covenanters on the Pacific coast.

Los Angeles and Denver, our two vacancies, have both asked for moderation of calls. The Presbytery paid the salary of Dr. Kate McBurney, our Presbyterial Missionary, in full.

Rev. A. M. Thompson was transferred to the Irish Synod, and Rev. James Patton was given a certificate of standing to unite with the United Presbyterian Church.

The certificate of Rev. J. I. Fraser, from the Presbytery of Puget Sound of the United Presbyterian Church, was received, and his name placed upon our roll after examination on our distinctive principles.

We ask for the full time of our laborer. Our statistical report has been forwarded to Synod's Stated Clerk.

Rev. J. M. Armour is recommended for a share in Aged Ministers' Fund. Los Angeles Congregation is recommended to the Board of Church Erection for two thousand (2,000) dollars.

Respectfully submitted,

S. Edgar, *Clerk.*

REPORT OF ILLINOIS PRESBYTERY.

The Illinois Presbytery would respectfully report: We have held two regular meetings during the year. There are nine congregations under our care—eight of these have settled pastors; one, Coulterville, is still vacant, but has a call pending. Presbytery has conducted an official examination of Staunton Congregation and Coulterville Congregation, and have found them to be in good condition.

In connection with each regular meeting we have held a conference, which adds much to the interest and profit of the meetings. Our traveling fund is paid in full. Our statistical report has been made out and forwarded to the Stated Clerk of Synod. J. C. French is Chairman of the Committee of Supplies. The pastor of Selma Congregation reports that they have had a prosperous year in the Lord's work. We have one licentiate under our care, J. G. McElhinney, who has completed his theological course. Mr. McElhinney received a call from the congregations of Adamsville and Middletown, and has accepted the same, and has been transferred to Pittsburgh Presbytery. As the minutes of Synod of last year do not show that any appropriation was asked or granted for Selma Congregation, the Central Board, regarding this as an obvious mistake, ordered the regular sum to be sent to Selma as requested in the quarterly report. The Board has requested Presbytery to take notice of this omission and bring it to the attention of Synod this year in such a way as to secure the approval of the Board's action in granting the money. Accordingly we ask you to indorse the action which the Board has taken in this matter. We ask for one-half the time of one laborer for the year.

Respectfully submitted,

G. Renwick Steele, *Clerk.*

REPORT OF IOWA PRESBYTERY.

Iowa Presbytery would respectfully report that in the past year we have held two regular meetings. Also one special meeting.

At the special meeting Rev. J. S. McGaw was received from Kansas Presbytery and installed pastor of Sharon Congregation December 13th, 1904.

Rev. Hugh McCarrall was granted a certificate of standing September 6th, 1904.

We have nine ministers and nine congregations. Two congregations—Hickory Grove and Vernon—are without pastoral care. Rev. Isaiah Faris is employed in the Oakland Mission. Rev. J. M. Littlejohn is engaged in a secular calling.

We have under our care three students of theology, viz.: W. J. McCullough, William O. Ferguson and William M. Robb. Mr. McCullough having completed the second year of study, was, on May 23d, 1905, licensed to preach the Gospel. His time is at the disposal of Synod until the opening of the Seminary. Also the full time of Licentiate George N. Greer.

Our Statistician's report was forwarded in due time to Synod's stated clerks.

A call from Church Hill Congregation on Licentiate George N. Greer was

received from Illinois Presbytery and placed in the hands of a commission for presentation.

Licentiate E. H. Buck, whose name has not appeared recently in our reports because he was engaged in a secular calling, was, at his own request, certified to Colorado Presbytery.

Miss Emily M. Cannon and Miss Juliet H. Cannon, daughters of the late Rev. R. B. Cannon, were recommended for aid to the Board of Control.

We request the time of one and one-half laborers for the ensuing year.

C. D. Trumbull is chairman of Committee on Supplies.

Respectfully submitted,

J. R. W. Stevenson, *Clerk.*

REPORT OF KANSAS PRESBYTERY.

Kansas Presbytery has held one regular meeting during the year and one meeting by commission. Eighteen congregations are under our care, of which eleven have pastors, three have stated supplies—one, Topeka—has arrangements made for the installation of a pastor, and three are vacant. The pastoral relation between Beulah Congregation and J. S. McGaw and between Hebron Congregation and W. S. Fulton was dissolved on November 3, 1904, and that between Superior Congregation and S. J. Johnston on May 26th, 1905. J. S. McGaw has been transferred to Iowa Presbytery. S. M. Morrow, a student of theology, has been taken under our care. We record with sorrow, mingled with joyous hope, the departure from earth of Father H. P. McClurkin, who, after a prolonged illness, passed to his glorious reward on February 18th, 1905. J. Ralston Wylie has accepted the Chair of Mathematics in Amity College. He asks for appointments during the months of July and August. The time of E. M. Coleman, W. S. Fulton and S. J. Johnston is at the disposal of Synod. Of the other ministers on our roll, two are serving as stated supplies, one as missionary and stated supply and eleven are pastors. We ask for the time of two laborers. The days of thanksgiving and fasting have been observed in all our congregations. Presbyterial examination has been conducted in several of our congregations, and is to be in all within the year. Mrs. Belle T. Dodds, Mrs. M. A. McMillan and Mrs. Jane Orr McClurkin are applicants to the Board of Control. G. A. Edgar is chairman of Committee on Supplies. Our statistical report has been forwarded.

Andrew J. McFarland, *Clerk.*

REPORT OF LAKES PRESBYTERY.

Lakes Presbytery reports: That our regular meeting was held at Southfield, Mich. We have nine congregations, with an aggregate membership of six hundred and thirteen souls. Every congregation has pastoral oversight. Licentiate Harvey Galbraith Patterson was ordained to the Gospel ministry and installed pastor of Southfield Congregation, October 11th, 1904. Belle Center Congregation made out a call on Rev. Samuel G. Shaw. This call has been accepted, and the steps looking to a settlement on the 8th of June have been taken. Rev. J. M. Faris continues stated supply of Belle Fontaine Congregation. It is with profound sorrow that we report the death of Rev. Joseph McCracken, our esteemed brother and co-laborer, which occurred at York, New York, February 19th, 1905. He was a man old in years, yet exceedingly youthful in spirit, and one to whom we instinctively turned for words of wisdom. Ernest Chalmers Mitchell, student of theology, is under the care of Presbytery. The following persons were recommended to share in the funds distributed by the

Board of Control: Mrs. Susan Love, Mrs. K. P. Smith, Mrs. Isabella Milroy and Ernest C. Mitchell. Rev. R. Hargrave is Chairman of the Committee of Supplies. Our statistical report indicates a slight decrease in membership, but an encouraging increase in contributions.

Respectfully submitted,

C. McLeod Smith, *Clerk.*

REPORT OF NEW BRUNSWICK AND NOVA SCOTIA PRESBYTERY.

The Presbytery of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia would respectfully report that the only meeting we have held has been during the sessions of this Synod.

Mrs. Margaret Lawson was recommended for her share in the Fund for Widows and Orphans. W. T. K. Thompson, having resigned the charges of St. John and Barnesville Congregations, was released from these charges and granted his certificate to the Iowa Presbytery.

The Congregation of St. John asks for $200 aid and full time of supply during the year.

The Congregation of Barnesville asks for supply twenty Sabbaths during the summer and fall and aid to the amount of $140.

Some efforts have been made to secure such supplies as the congregations ask for and need, and the result of these efforts will be laid before the Committee of Supplies. As to future work and meetings our case is dark. It was agreed that Thos. McFall should take charge of whatever work should arise in the Presbytery and act according to necessities and requirements. The whole time of W. T. K. Thompson is at the disposal of Synod.

John A. Newcombe, *Clerk.*

REPORT OF NEW YORK PRESBYTERY.

New York Presbytery would respectfully report: We have held two regular meetings during the year.

A pro-re-rata meeting was held in the Second New York Church, August 31st, 1904, at which Licentiate Julius A. Kempf was ordained to the ministry, having accepted an appointment to the mission in China.

W. M. George was released from Brooklyn Congregation, September 9th, 1904.

S. G. Shaw was transferred to Lakes Presbytery, having accepted a call from Belle Center Congregation, and Licentiate John Yates was transferred to Rochester Presbytery, having accepted a call from the Syracuse Congregation. A call from Brooklyn Congregation on J. C. Slater has been accepted and provision has been made for his early installation.

We have now fifteen congregations and sixteen ministers. A. I. Robb and Julius A. Kempf are missionaries in China. Four congregations are vacant, viz., Bovina, Cambridge, Kortright and Brooklyn, the latter very soon to have its pastor-elect installed.

S. R. Wallace has been appointed stated supply in Kortright until December 1st, or as long as the funds will permit. The time of S. R. Wallace after December 1st is at the disposal of Synod.

We ask for the time of two laborers during the year.

I. A. Blackwood is Chairman of Committee of Supplies.

Our statistical report was duly forwarded, and our Traveling Fund is full.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Patton, *Clerk.*

REPORT OF OHIO PRESBYTERY.

Ohio Presbytery would respectfully report: Since the last meeting of Synod we have held two regular meetings. We have six congregations under our care, three of which have settled pastors. R. A. Blair was ordained and installed pastor of Utica Congregation, Oct. 12th, 1904. W. J. McBurney was ordained and installed pastor of Muskingum and Tomica Congregation, Oct. 25th, 1904. J. C. Slater having accepted the call to Brooklyn Congregation was released from the pastorate of Jonathan's Creek Congregation, May 26th, 1905, and he was certified to New York Presbytery. One of our ministers, Rev. P. H. Wylie, entered into his rest on Feb. 18th, 1905. Licentiate W. Walter Wilson having accepted the call to Topeka Congregation, was transferred to Kansas Presbytery. We have one student of Theology, Alva A. Wylie, of the first year. The time of W. J. McBurney for the months of December, January and February is at the disposal of Synod. We ask for but one-half time of one laborer for the coming year. The days of Thanksgiving and Fasting were observed in our congregations. Our traveling fund is reported full. Our statistical report was duly forwarded to the Stated Clerk. A. A. Samson is Chairman Committee of Supplies.

Respectfully submitted,
W. J. McBURNEY, Clerk.

REPORT OF PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERY.

Philadelphia Presbytery would respectfully report: Two regular meetings were held during the year. We have three settled congregations, all in the city of Philadelphia. Baltimore, though regularly notified, has failed for the last three years to send their statistical report. Presbytery therefore, having no means of knowing anything definite either as to their numbers or work, decided to report them to Synod as a mission station, and notification was sent to them to that effect. Presbytery also assured them of their willingness to do what they could to revive the work in their midst. Conococheague reports only as to numbers, which show a gradual decrease. They have not asked for any preaching for this year, though Presbytery hopes to arrange to give them some during the summer months, if they desire it. The regular Church work of the three Philadelphia Congregations was carried on as usual through the year, with some additional evangelistic work in each by the Sabbath Schools and Young People's Societies. Also in the City of Philadelphia, in the month of May, two public conferences were held: one on "Bible Principles of Civil Government," and the other on "Vital Questions Relating to the Church and State." While as a Presbytery we do not take the credit for these meetings, yet some of our members were more or less responsible for both of them.

The Third Congregation, Philadelphia, rejoices in the completion and occupancy of their new church building, which was dedicated with appropriate services, March 5th, 1905. The walls are of brick, stone and terra cotta. The inside measurement is fifty-five feet square. In the basement are commodious Sabbath School rooms, boiler room, kitchen, and two toilet rooms. On the main floor is the auditorium with gallery over front entrance, also pastor's study and deacons' room, one on the right and the other on the left adjoining the platform. The seating capacity of auditorium, including gallery, is about three hundred and fifty. The whole building is heated by steam and lighted by electricity. The ground, including a lot adjoining on which stands a good three-story brick house of eleven rooms cost eleven thousand dollars. The church building complete cost upwards of twenty-seven thousand dollars, making a total of about thirty-eight thousand dollars. This congregation does not believe in church

debts. The money, about thirty thousand dollars in addition to what they received for the old church property, has been subscribed and nearly all paid, and practically the whole church plant is free. For a congregation so few in numbers, this certainly indicates great liberality. May they go on increasing in this spirit and be able to plan and accomplish more and greater work for the Master.

We report the death of one of the ministerial members of our Presbytery, Rev. A. W. Johnston M. D., at Northwood, Ohio, September 23d, 1904.

We have two unsettled ministers, E. F. Sherman and Moses Greenberg. Licentiate R. A. Blair was certified to the Ohio Presbytery at our fall meeting, September 27th, 1904. The full time of E. F. Sherman is at the disposal of the Synod. The days of Thanksgiving and Fasting were observed.

We ask for the time of one laborer for the months of July and August. J. C. McFeeters is chairman of Committee of Supplies. We report our quota of Synod's Traveling Fund full. Our statistical report was made out and forwarded in due time to the Stated Clerk of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

R. C. Montgomery, Clerk.

REPORT OF THE PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERY.

The Pittsburgh Presbytery would respectfully report: During the past year two regular meetings have been held. There are in our Presbytery 27 congregations, 5 of which are vacant, viz., Adamsville and Middletown, North Union, Brookland, Salem and Clarksburg. Centerville has become disorganized. We have 20 settled pastors, two with double pastorates. The names of 40 ordained ministers appear on our roll, of which 10 are without charges. One released since last Synod.

Nine ordained ministers and 2 licentiates engage in other callings, viz., A. J. McFarland, his whole time, and W. J. McKnight, 2 months of the past year in the work of Testimony Bearing; H. H. George, in National Reform; S. J. Crowe, in Sabbath Reform; George Kennedy, W. P. Johnston, R. J. McIsaac, J. M. Coleman and W. Milroy, in the College. D. B. Wilson and R. J. George in the Seminary.

Since the last meeting of the Synod the name of Rev. John Galbraith disappears from our roll from death on September 30th, 1904.

The following ministers are without charges: R. C. Allen, T. J. Allen, H. Easson, J. L. McCartney, H. H. George, J. F. Crozier, R. J. G. McKnight.

Our licentiates are: J. M. Coleman, William Milroy, W. H. George, William McKinney and J. T. Mitchell.

We have three theological students under our care: John Coleman, A. T. Smith and D. R. Taggart.

The following desire appointments for the coming year: R. C. Allen, T. J. Allen, H. Easson, J. L. McCartney, W. H. George, J. F. Crozier and R. J. G. McKnight.

The Presbytery ask the time of one-half of one laborer for the coming year.

The following recommendations have been made: Revs. J. C. K. Faris and J. R. Baird to The Aged Minister's Fund, and Mrs. Charles Clyde and Mrs. Nancy Reed to The Widow's and Orphan's Fund.

The quota to Synodical Fund is full. R. H. Martin is chairman of Committee of Supplies.

The statistical report of the Presbytery was forwarded in due time.

Respectfully submitted,

H. G. Foster, *Clerk.*

REPORT OF ROCHESTER PRESBYTERY.

Rochester Presbytery would report as follows: During the past year two regular meetings have been held.

On September 7th, 1904, Rev. G. M. Robb, having accepted an appointment to the Jewish Mission, Philadelphia, was released from the pastoral care of Syracuse congregation and certified to Philadelphia Presbytery. The Syracuse congregation thus left vacant, we are pleased to report was speedily settled by the ordination and installation of Mr. John Yates, April 4th, 1905. On the 25th of the present month of May Rev. P. P. Boyd, having accepted the joint call from North Union and Brookland congregations, was released from the pastoral care of Almonte congregation and certified to Pittsburgh Presbytery. The above changes leave just three of our six congregations under settled pastors, viz., Lochiel, Syracuse and York. We have in our Presbytery one minister without charge, Rev. William McFarland, whose whole time is at the disposal of Synod.

Thanksgiving and Fast day were observed in all the congregations which at the time were under pastoral care.

Our Traveling Fund is full. The chairman of our Committee on Supplies is J. B. Gilmore. Our statistical report has been forwarded to the Stated Clerk.

We ask as supplies two workers' full time.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. Gilmore, *Clerk.*

REPORT OF VERMONT PRESBYTERY.

The Vermont Presbytery would respectfully report that since your last meeting we have held one regular meeting.

Ryegate was supplied by D. C. Faris. He was appointed to preach there during the coming year, and the congregation was recommended to the Board of Domestic Missions. The congregation of Barnet was recommended to the Board of Sustentation.

The day of Thanksgiving was observed in Barnet and Craftsbury, and the day of Fasting was observed in Barnet.

Our Traveling Fund is full. Our statistics were duly forwarded.

Respectfully submitted,

D. C. Faris, *Clerk.*

The courtesies of the floor were extended to Rev. J. H. Hutchman.

The report on Unfinished Business was again taken up and the consideration of Item 2 resumed. It was resolved that a Committee of five be appointed to take the whole matter into consideration and report at next meeting of Synod.

Item 11.—The matter referred to in this item was indefinitely postponed.

Item 14.—Report of Delegate J. M. Foster to the Council of the Alliance of Reformed Churches. The Moderator and Clerk were appointed to write to Dr. G. D. Mathews, asking for an explanation of the seeming discourtesy to our delegate by the practical

omission of his paper from the printed report of the Council. The report of the delegate was received and adopted, and is as follows:

ALLIANCE OF REFORMED CHURCHES.

Your delegate to the Eighth Council of the Alliance of the Reformed Churches holding the Presbyterian system respectfully reports:

Of the four delegates appointed by this Synod, three were absent—Rev. D. C. Martin, D.D., and Elders Andrew Alexander and A. M. Armstrong. The Council met in Liverpool Tuesday, June 28th, 1904, at 3 P. M., in Philharmonic Hall, and adjourned finally Thursday evening, July 7th, 1904. The opening sermon was delivered by Rev. John Watson, D.D., LL.D., of Liverpool, who took for his topic, "Reasonableness, the Touchstone of Truth," based on II Cor., 10:1, "I beseech you by the reasonableness of Christ." His discourse was a disappointment to both his liberal friends and conservative opponents. The Psalms were sung in the Scotch version, without instrument, at this service and at all the subsequent meetings of the Council. The roll call showed a delegation of 360, the Western section having 240, the Eastern section, 120. Rev. William Dick, of Belfast, and Rev. Ezekiel Teaz, of Liverpool, represented the Covenanter Synod of Ireland, and Rev. John McKee, of Wishaw, and Elder David McMillan, of Greenock, the Covenanter Synod of Scotland. There were delegates from the continent of Europe and from the mission fields of many lands.

The opening address was by the President, Rev. William Caven, D.D., LL.D., principal of Knox Theological College, Toronto, Canada, on "The Service of the Alliance to Christian Doctrine and Fellowship," an address of singular sweetness and beauty.

There were morning and afternoon sessions for business and a popular meeting for each evening. The program was elaborate and carefully planned. Much attention was given to the "Higher Criticism" and the "Creeds" of the Church, to foreign missions and practical Christian life. The papers were remarkably conservative and of an unusually high order. A few discordant notes were sounded, but in the open discussion these were corrected. National Reform received a due share of attention. "The Bible in the Public Schools," "Our Unscriptural Divorce Laws" and "Temperance" were discussed in a way that gave good cheer. The address of your delegate on "Presbyterianism in Social and Philanthropic Effort" was a plea for reformation principles. As Christianity is the leaven that transforms the man, body, soul and spirit, so it is the leaven that produces the model Christian family, the ideal Christian State and the Scriptural Christian Church, and through these three divine institutions the Holy Spirit uplifts "the organic people." This was John Knox's idea in the first Reformation from Popery in Scotland, and it was the idea of Melville, Henderson, Cameron, Cargill, Renwick, et al., in the second Reformation from Prelacy. Stephen, before the Jewish Council at Jerusalem, followed the only course feasible. He recited the history of Israel, which all Jews delighted to listen to. We pursued the same course in the Council. We recited Presbyterian history, which all delight to hear. And both Stephen and your delegate were heard gladly until we came to the point where the audience had departed from God's historic purpose. No Presbyterian could refuse to accept what we said, because, up to the attainment of the ideal Church and State in the Revolution Settlement, in 1688, all Presbyterians were a Psalm-singing, covenanting Presbyterian Church, and witnesses for a Christian State, acknowledging God as Sovereign, Christ as King and the Bible as supreme law. This is the model, and it is being kept by a band of witnesses against the day of reconstruction, when it will be called for and used.

The audience was with us enthusiastically to the last. But a thunder cloud arose on the brows of the managers on and before the platform, and just as we had exhausted our twenty minutes, one of the promoters, Elder W. Grant Paton, arose and interrupted us.

In the printed report, Dr. Mathews, the Secretary, suppressed our address. We agree with Rev. W. H. Roberts, D.D., LL.D., Philadelphia, the Secretary of the Western section, in saying: "Dr. Mathews had no authority to contravene the rights of a member of the Council in this manner." Rev. Principal J. O. Dykes, D.D., LL.D., of Westminster College, Cambridge, was elected President, to serve until the ninth Council, in New York, in 1909.

The papers and addresses and resolutions have been printed in a volume of 316 pages and an appendix of 142 pages. It can be secured by addressing Rev. Dr. W. H. Roberts, 1319 Walnut street, Philadelphia, Pa. Price, $2.50.

A Business Committee, of which Rev. William Dick and your delegate were members, met each morning before the Council convened; but its principal business seemed to be to adopt what had been prepared beforehand.

The Program Committee, so far as we can see, is the power that governs; and in some way our Church ought to secure representation there. The distinctive principles of the Reformed Presbyterian Church are not sectarian, they are ecumenical. And it is our duty to push them to the front and demand a hearing. They will be like a hot mustard plaster applied to the back of the neck. The patient will complain and give many reasons for its removal. But the kingdom of heaven is like unto a mustard seed—hot, full of fiery vigor, and we are to expect angry protests when it is applied. The delegates were royally entertained by the good people of Liverpool. They did not attend the sessions well.

J. M. Foster.

The report on Unfinished Business was adopted as a whole, and is as follows:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The Committee on Unfinished Business respectfully report the following items:

1. The Revision of the Psalter. W. J. Coleman, Chairman.

2. Report on Distribution of Home Mission and Sustentation Funds. Laid over from last Synod and printed in Appendix. F. M. Foster, Chairman.

3. Report on Revision of the Book of Discipline. Laid over from last Synod. Pages 37-59.

4. Delegate to the Christian Reformed Church. C. M. Smith. Page 9.

5. Committee on closer relations with the Christian Reformed Church. C. M. Smith, Chairman. Pages 9 and 10.

6. Sale of Minutes of Synod. J. S. Tibby. Page 18.

7. Clerk to print and send out Report on Sabbath. Page 32.

8. Officers of Synod to transmit action on closing the Louisiana Purchase Exposition on Sabbath to the Board of Directors. Page 36.

9. Committee on Evangelistic Work to arrange for an evening Conference on Bible Study. Page 37.

10. Committee on State of Religion to arrange for an evening Conference on the State of the Church. Page 37.

11. Resolution on Representation at the Mission Conference. Laid over from last Synod. Page 65.

12. Correction of Minutes. Clerk.

13. Committee to carry communication to Walter T. Miller.

14. Report of J. M. Foster, Synod's Delegate to Pennsylvania Presbyterian Council.

W. J. Coleman,
J. C. French.

Robert Kyle was granted leave of absence.

Devotional exercises were engaged in, Walter T. Miller presiding.

Recess was taken until 2 P. M. Prayer by R. C. Montgomery.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Same place, 2 P. M., Synod met and was led in prayer by J. F. Crozier.

Roll called. The following persons were absent: Robert Allen, J. W. F. Carlisle, John Crozier, E. M. Elsey, S. E. Greer, George Martin, D. D. Mearns, T. M. Slater, T. C. Sproull, R. A. Wilson, J. Milligan Wylie. Most of these soon appeared.

The minutes were read and approved.

E. A. Crooks, Robert Clarke, I. A. Blackwood, J. Milligan Wylie were granted leave of absence.

It was resolved that at the close of the present session Synod take a recess until 8 P. M.. and that the order of the day be made the report of the Committee on National Reform.

The following Presbyteries reported: Colorado, Lakes, Ohio. These reports were received and adopted, and referred to the appropriate Committees.

Report on Evangelistic Work. The report was received, and taken up item by item for adoption. Items all adopted. The report was adopted as a whole, and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISTIC WORK.

We are confronted by the sad spectacle of multitudes perishing within sound of the Gospel. The external blessings of Christianity are the most they receive, and these in scant measure. There is something wrong—much wrong—not with the Christianity, but with the Church. These conditions are awakening anxious inquiry. A few earnest souls are crying mightily to God. As a result of these prayers the tide of evangelism seems to be returning from its long ebb. A deeper interest is being manifest in soul saving. Renewed efforts are being put forth. Encouraging results are following. In our own country, Atlanta, Schenectady, Denver, Louisville,

Los Angeles and many smaller places have felt the power of the movement. The efforts of Torry and Alexander in Australia, Scotland and in London have been greatly blessed. Many pastors and evangelists are laboring with encouraging results.

Wales is at present the place of special interest. This corner of the British empire is receiving a special outpouring of the Spirit. The Welsh are a humble folk. For a period of more than ten years their religious life has suffered a sad decline. Inured to hard toil they are sadly addicted to the common vices of working people—drinking, Sabbath desecration, gambling and profanity. It was stony ground, but not too hard for the Spirit. During these years of spiritual eclipse a few earnest souls have mourned the conditions. They have been praying most fervently for a revival. Among these is Evan Roberts who, for want of a more conspicuous man, has been recognized as the leader of the movement. He makes no such claim for himself and critical observers agree that he is not a great leader. The movement is a home product. The meetings are spontaneous. They have been described as the "most orderly disorder." They are manifestly under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. God has chosen the weak and foolish things to confound the things that are mighty, that glory may be His. *The Welsh revival is God's answer to a few* who have agonized in prayer; a lesson to the entire Christian world. Over 100,000 converts have been enrolled. Deserted saloons, theatres and football fields, payment of outlawed debts, reconciliation of alienated friends and songs of praise echoing through the corridors of the mines where curses were formerly heard, are convincing evidences of the genuineness of the revival. We are not worthy of the illustrious name we bear if our hearts are not quickened by these good tidings.

The first and great obligation of the Church is to evangelize all peoples. "Go ye therefore and make disciples of all nations." For this work the ascended Lord has sent the Spirit and pledged His personal presence. Christ came to earth to seek and to save the lost. To His Church and His people He has committed this great work. No branch of the Church can claim exemption from it. The proper discharge of this fundamental obligation is the very best preparation for meeting the other demands of Church activity. The answers to inquiries sent out by your Committee indicate certain important facts in the attitude of our Church toward the evangelistic movements. A small per cent. of the pastors are indifferent toward it. By their own confession they are neither doing anything to reach the unsaved about them, nor making their conversion a subject of special prayer. About one-half of the pastors are showing some interest in the movement. Some of them are making it a subject of special prayer. Some pray without working. Some attempt to work without special prayer. The remainder, about forty per cent. of the entire ministry, are manifesting a real interest in their unsaved neighbors. They are praying. They are working. With this lack of wholehearted interest and effort by the ministry it is not surprising that the laity are not fully alive to the importance of evangelistic work. On the other hand the replies contain many encouraging indications. There is a *deepening* interest. Many are impressed with the fact that we are not measuring up to our obligations. More is being done alone the various lines of evangelistic effort. The following methods are in operation: Enrolling of children from non-church going families in the regular Congregational Sunday School; the conducting of mission Sunday Schools; the employing of city missionaries; regular preaching in mission chapels, school houses and other accessible places; services at the regular time and place of worship with special reference to the unsaved who are not regular Church attendants; personal work, and specially conducted evangelistic services. The need for greatly increased activity along all these lines is imperative. Small though we are, if we were afire with Spirit-kindled zeal for souls, we would by the blessing of God bring to our

land the long sought revival. Oh, that we might be the willing people in His day of power! Not that we may receive honor, but that the truths for which we are special witnesses may be emphasized. What weight it would give to our testimony against a godless civil compact, what an impetus it would give to our efforts for its reformation, what weight it would give to our testimony for purity of worship, and against the secret lodge system, if we were leading in the great work of saving souls. Putting the emphasis where He has put it certainly will not detract from the other truths so dear to our Savior King.

Some one has said an ounce of resolution is worth a ton of resolutions. We have had the ton of resolutions. By the help of God may our resolution for the coming year be:

1. To pray much more and much more earnestly for the unsaved about us; that we may by the Spirit's power be made truly evangelistic, and they may be convinced of their need of the Lord Jesus Christ as a personal Savior. This kind goeth forth only by prayer and fasting.

2. To labor immediately, systematically, increasingly to reach the unsaved. We must help answer our prayers. There must be a campaign of education. Let every legitimate means be employed. In our opinion special evangelistic services are to be much more generally employed.

3. We suggest that the Presbyteries take up the subject of evangelistic work at their fall meetings, with a view to some concerted action within their bounds.

4. That with the adoption of this report the Moderator designate some one to lead in prayer for God's Spirit to awaken us to the importance of this work.

E. A. Crooks,
J. M. Johnston,
W. J. McKnight,
S. E. McElhenney,
R. K. Wiseley,
Committee.

NECROLOGY.

Reports of the Committees to prepare memorials on the deaths of the ministers who passed away during the year. The reports were read, and after an address by Dr. McAllister and prayer by Dr. McFeeters, they were adopted, and are as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE DEATH OF REV. A. W. JOHNSTON.

Rev. Archibald Warriston Johnston, M.D., died at Northwood, Ohio, where he had been temporarily residing, September 23d, 1904. He was the son of Samuel P. and Elleonor T. Johnston, and was born near Hopedale, Ohio, November 26th, 1844. He graduated from the Indiana University at the age of 20 years, in 1864. He then took up the study of theology in the Allegheny Seminary, and was licensed to preach the Gospel by Lakes Presbytery April 19th, 1867. He was ordained by New York Presbytery and installed pastor of Craftsbury Congregation, Vermont, August 5th, 1868. He married Miss Mary A. Willson, daughter of Dr. J. M. Willson, April 20th, 1869. He resigned his charge in Craftsbury October 31st, 1871, and removing to Philadelphia, he began the study of medicine in the Jefferson Medical College, graduating with honors from that institution in 1875. From that date he devoted most of his time to the medical profession in Philadelphia, yet preaching occasionally upon request, and always in the lucid and earnest

style peculiar to himself. He was a physician of recognized ability. Dr. Johnston was a man of humble and retiring spirit, yet affable in manner and dignified in appearance. The fear of God was much in evidence on his soul. His conversation was both kindly and spirited, seasoned with grace. He was a helpful friend and judicious counsellor. In all his relations he conducted himself as one who realized the presence and holiness of God. His devotion to the Covenanted principles of the Second Reformation, to which this Church is committed, was unchangeable. His death was sudden. The three-score and ten years were not yet finished. In His call by his Lord to a higher service we hear a voice saying, "Be ye also ready."

J. C. McFeeters,
J. M. Faris,
J. G. McConnell.

MINUTE ON THE DEATH OF REV. JOHN GALBRAITH.

"Help, Lord, for the godly man ceaseth; for the faithful fail from among the children of men." This inspired utterance applies to Rev. John Galbraith as a consecrated servant of God and one thoroughly devoted to the work of the Master. His life was given to the preaching of the Gospel and to the glory of Christ in the conversion of souls and edification of saints. He was a faithful and diligent worker. His field of labor embraced a large territory, his flock was widely scattered, requiring time and sacrifice to perform pastoral labor. His itinerary embraced five stations many miles apart, but he diligently cultivated them all, in season and out of season, by preaching, family visitation and by catechetical instruction. He regularly fed the lambs as well as the sheep in the flock, and as a result of this faithful work among his young people, coupled with his advice, counsel and encouragement seven young men entered the ranks of the ministry from his charge—Rev. T. C. Sproull, Rev. S. R. Galbraith, Rev. S. J. Crowe, Rev. W. J. Sproull, Rev. A. D. Crowe, Rev. William McKinney and Rev. R. M. McKinney. These were all from the Union Branch of the Congregation, and shows the influence and power of this good man's life on young men in the formation period of their lives.

He was kind, generous and helpful in all relations of life. His kindness of heart was one of his most prominent characteristics. We have known him, as often as occasion required it, to rise from his bed at night and go to neighbors and minister to the sick and dying, and he was specially adapted to such work. His ministrations were extended to all who needed his help, and were not confined to the members of his own flock. He sought the welfare of body, soul and spirit, and his own nearness to God made him an inspiration in worship in times of affliction and distress. He was a conscientious and faithful preacher of the Word. He had a good understanding and clear conception of divine truth. His analytical powers were excellent, and his thinking original. He was not what the world calls eloquent, but had a pleasing delivery, coupled with earnestness, in which he felt the force of the message which Christ gave him, and he endeavored to impress it upon the hearts of his hearers. He was a consistent and earnest Christian. He had the confidence of all who knew him, even of many of the godless and irreligious, for they knew him to be honest and conscientious, and sincerely interested in their welfare. He was faithful in his attendance upon the courts of the Lord's house. He spent much of his time in the saddle in the earlier part of his ministry, and his journeys were sometimes attended with danger. His journey to Oil Creek Congregation to install Rev. Daniel Reid was very strenuous and somewhat dangerous, as the oil regions at that time were infested with dangerous men who would not hesitate to rob and murder for plunder. He was the son of James and Margaret (McClure) Galbraith, and was born in Edenmore, County Donegal, Ireland, April 6th, 1818. His parents were exemplary members of the Covenanter Church, and he received his early

education in the schools of his native land. He emigrated to America April 6th, 1832, and settled near Burgettstown, Washington County, Pa., where he pursued his studies and graduated from the Western University of Pennsylvania in 1838. He studied theology in the Allegheny Seminary, and was licensed by the Pittsburgh Presbytery June 1st, 1842. He was ordained by the same Presbytery and installed pastor of the United Congregation of Union, Pine Creek and Lovejoy June 29th, 1843. From April 11th, 1870, he was pastor of North Union Congregation, and resigned this charge in 1889 on account of advancing age and infirmity. He passed away to his glorious reward September 30th, 1904, borne down by the infirmities of age.

S. J. Crowe,
A. Kilpatrick,
J. M. Douthett.

MINUTE ON THE DEATH OF DR. H. P. McCLURKIN.

In the death of Dr. H. P. McClurkin, at Topeka, Kan., February 18th, 1905, the Church has lost a minister of no ordinary attainments.

He was born November 6th, 1821, near Rocky Creek, Chester District, South Carolina. His early life amidst the evils of slavery gave him peculiar instincts that guided him in his antagonism to the system in his mature years. He began his school life in his native State, and continued it in Washington County, Illinois, to which place his family removed in 1833. He graduated from the Western Pennsylvania University in 1845. After a course of theology in the Reformed Presbyterian Seminary, in Cincinnati, he was licensed by Lakes Presbytery April 20th, 1848. After manifold labors in different fields of ministerial service he retired from the active duties of the ministry in 1902, and lived a quiet life until his death.

That he won the appreciation of the Church and of other denominations is manifest by a widespread reverence for his memory; by his election as Moderator of Synod in 1868, and by being honored with the degree of Doctor of Divinity by Muskingum College in 1879.

The power of Dr. McClurkin was especially manifest in his grasp of public questions and in the influence that he exerted on the whole community wherever his lot was cast. As an instance of this we make mention of the beautiful tribute paid to his memory by the Ministerial Association of Topeka, Kan., at his interment. His fellow-ministers attended his funeral in a body, and his pallbearers were ministers with whom he had been associated in past years in various reform efforts.

He was easily a standard-bearer among men; he was deeply devoted to every good reform; as a counsellor he was an Ahithophel, and as a comforter, an Isaiah. He was a man of prayer and of work, and therefore a power in the lives of men. His was a life of service—his an eternity of reward.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Boggs Dodds,
W. W. Carithers,
J. R. Magee.

MINUTE ON THE DEATH OF PRESTON HARVEY WYLIE.

Preston Harvey Wylie was born near Somerset, Perry County, Ohio, April 16th, 1822. His early education was obtained in Muskingum County, where he also studied the classics under the Rev. John Wallace. Moving to Northwood, Ohio, in 1850, he continued his studies in Geneva College, graduating from that institution in 1853. He studied theology at the same time in the Northwood Seminary, and was licensed by the Lakes Presbytery April 12th, 1854. Mr. Wylie was pastor of Lake Eliza congregation from May 14th, 1855, to October 9th, 1860; of the Rushsylvania congregation from November 13th, 1860, to May 25th, 1876, and of the Macedon congregation from January 10th, 1861, to March 1st, 1887. He resigned his care of this double charge

to take up work in the congregation of Sterling, Kansas, where he was installed April 15th, 1887, demitting this charge May 1st, 1890, to take up work at Londonderry, Ohio, where he was installed in November, 1891. This charge was resigned April 1st, 1903.

Mr. Wylie was three times married. First to Miss Mary A. George, March 12th, 1844; next to Miss Rebecca A. Hayes, May 6th, 1862. His third wife, Margaret George Copeland, preceded him to glory a few months. He was called to his eternal reward February 18th, 1905, dying quietly and peacefully in his home at New Concord, Ohio.

Mr. Wylie was a man who filled faithfully and humbly whatever post of duty was assigned him. His earnestness and conscientiousness were especially marked. As a husband and father he was thoughtful and loving. His self-control enabled him to act wisely in all emergencies, as well as to give him perseverance in all difficult undertakings. His influence is seen in the fact that all his children except one, who is disabled, entered the ministry or the mission field.

As a pastor he was attentive to those under his care. His work among the young people is specially to be noted. Catechetical instruction was emphasized. The number of his young people who are to be found in the ministry and mission fields and in the ranks of public school teachers indicate the character of the influence which he exerted. His public spirit was marked in his early life by his taking part in the activities of the "Underground Railroad." He wrote many articles for the Church papers. In evangelistic work he exerted a spiritually uplifting influence on the community by the distribution of tracts and by personal influence. He looked carefully after the spiritual interests of the young people under his care, and was successful in leading them to Christ. He was a devoted National Reformer, often making great sacrifices to assist in conducting meetings.

He was a man who loved his God, his Church, his country, and his family. He was faithful unto death, and had the assurance that a crown of life awaited him.

J. Milligan Wylie,
A. A. Samson,
J. W. Dougherty.

MINUTE ON THE DEATH OF REV. J. McCRACKEN.

"The fathers, where are they; and the prophets, do they live forever?"

Our Church on earth is called upon to mourn the departure from us of one of the fathers and prophets—Rev. Joseph McCracken—who has been called from toil on earth to rest in Heaven. Mr. McCracken was born in Rathfriland, Ireland, October 21st, 1825. At the early age of 7 he came with his parents to America and settled near York, Livingstone County, N. Y. He graduated from Union College in 1848, went abroad the following year and studied theology in the seminaries of Paisley and Edinburgh, Scotland, and was licensed by Rochester Presbytery May 13th, 1853. His first pastorate was over Clarinda, Iowa, congregation, where he labored for a little over a year, when he accepted a call to St. Louis congregation.

He was teacher of mathematics in Geneva College, Northwood, Ohio, from 1874 till 1878, when he accepted a call to Southfield Congregation. There for a quarter of a century he made full proof of his ministry, established many in the faith and won souls to Christ. He resigned this charge in May, 1903, and soon retired to the scenes of his boyhood, York, N. Y., to spend the remainder of his days in rest and quiet under the ministry of Rev. J. B. Gilmore. The imperfect, brief and troubled rest of earth was soon exchanged for the perfect and eternal rest of heaven. He fell asleep in Jesus after a little more than a week's sickness, on February 19th, 1905. His temple of the body was old, measured by earthly years, yet it was hard to think

of him as an old man, for his mind, thought and feelings were young. Until the day of his death he was fully alive to and took a deep and active interest in all questions affecting the welfare of both Church and State. He did not retire within himself, as so many old men do, but kept his eyes open to behold the doings of his Lord in the Divine providences, his ears alert to hear the voice of his Master, and his hands ready to work for his Lord in his field and vineyard.

He was a kind and loving husband and father. The atmosphere of his home was perfumed with the sweet odors of Christian love and hospitality. Those who have had the privilege of helping him upon communion occasions know what royal entertainment for both mind and body he and his refined and cultured wife were able to bestow.

Mr. McCracken was a faithful Covenanter. He understood, believed and practiced the principles of his Church, and employed his best powers to further her interests.

He was a faithful preacher of "Christ Crucified," and did not shun to declare the whole counsel of his Master in regard to His claims as "Governor among the nations" upon men as individuals and nations.

He was a good financier. His sanctified financial wisdom placed him often upon Synod's Committee on Finance. He was a wise counsellor. He had a clear and judicial mind, and an eminent sense of honesty and justice. He thoroughly understood Church law and order, and thus was frequently placed upon Synod's Committee of Discipline to adjudicate knotty and vexatious cases, with the aid of his sanctified common sense and wisdom. He was a true Christian gentleman, a lover of God and of his fellow-men, and a lover of his fellow-men because a lover of God. He had the welfare of Zion at heart, and ever sought her best interests. Let us fellow him as he followed Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

T. C. Sproull,
H. G. Patterson,
J. D. Cannon.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was made the order of the day. The report was read and taken up item by item for adoption.

Items 1, 2 and *3* were adopted.

Item 4.—While this item was under consideration, missionaries from the field, Miss M. B. Edgar, Miss M. Cunningham and Dr. J. M. Balph, and the Secretary of the Board, R. M. Sommerville, were heard. The report was recommitted and made the order of the day for 9.30 A. M. to-morrow.

Recess was taken until 8 P. M. Prayer by I. A. Blackwood.

EVENING SESSION.

Same place, 8 P. M., Synod met and was led in prayer by S. McNaugher.

Roll-call was omitted. The minutes were read and approved.

The report of the Committee on National Reform being the order of the day, was presented. The report was taken up item by item for adoption. At this point Drs. Trumbull and Lynd were heard. The items of the report were all adopted. On the motion to adopt the report as a whole, Mrs. R. W. Skinner, President of the Lawrence County, Pa., W. C. T. U., was heard.

The report was adopted as a whole, and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL REFORM COMMITTEE.

The National Reform Committee would respectfully submit the following report:

We have had referred to us two papers, one the report of the Executive Committee of the National Reform Association, and the other a memorial signed by members of the session of the College Hill Congregation, and transferred by Pittsburgh Presbytery to Synod. We have reviewed with great satisfaction the report from the National Reform Association, and feel that all friends of the cause have reason to be gratified at the advancement which is being made in this work. We regret exceedingly the serious accident which has befallen brother Acheson and trust that the present hopes for his complete recovery may be speedily realized. Special attention should be called to the digest of our Sabbath laws which has been prepared by Dr. Wylie, and which will be a valuable document for all those interested in the advancement of the cause of the Sabbath. We should interest ourselves in securing for it as wide a circulation as possible.

The memorial referred to us brings before Synod considerations tending to emphasize the comparative importance of the National Reform work, and asking that it be exalted to a higher place among the different branches of the Church's work and receive a larger share of the Church's energy. The memorialists believe that too much of the Church's contributions is being given to work which seeks only the salvation of individuals, and which is shared by all other churches. This memorial deserves careful consideration. The question of whether or not our efforts are being rightly directed should ever be open to discussion and should receive careful attention. Your Committee is of the opinion that any suggestion of a conflict between the National Reform work and missionary work is unfortunate, especially at the present time. This is for two reasons. On the one hand we believe that one of the most important advancements, made in the National Reform work in recent years, is what has been called growing religiousness. That is, the increased conviction and clearer perception on the part of all of us that this cause, which has enlisted the enthusiasm of our Church during all the years since the beginning of the work, is not a matter merely of statesmanship; nor is its attainment to be simply one independent part of the consummation of the kingdom, but that the acceptance by the nation of the kingship of Christ is a condition

without which that revival for which so many long is impossible; that its purpose is ever to increase the present sway of godliness; and that it is inseparably linked with every phase of Christ's works, so that its advance must be in even step with the progress of the kingdom of grace in the world. So also, on the other hand, in our missionary work we have been gaining a clearer perception of the fact that the purpose of true missionary work is not merely to save individual souls, but also to advance the kingdom of our Lord in all its aspects. And it is this conception which has added most to our increase of missionary zeal. So our National Reform work is becoming more evangelical and missionary in spirit; and our missionary work is growing more comprehensive and national in its scope. The two are not antagonistic. They are one; and they both find their divine authority in the terms of the great commission. We do not therefore view with dissatisfaction the growth of the missionary spirit, but pray that it may increase. But yet the considerations which the memorialists present are true in this, that our Church is specially called to this work of advancing the cause of the Kingship of Jesus Christ. Loyalty to Him does furnish our "rallying cry and is our mastering enthusiasm." And while all our work is animated by loyalty to Him, yet the testimony to the nation represents most directly and prominently our distinctive position as a Church. Beyond this work none should receive preference in our enthusiasm. We believe also that this phase of our work is the one which now calls most urgently for advancement. Last year we appropriated for the cause of National Reform but $5,000, which is just fifty cents per member. We believe that this phase of our work, to which God has specially called us, deserves more at our hands. We believe that in planning for this advancement the thought of retrenchment in missionary work need not be entertained for a moment; but we believe that the Church is ready to rally to this great cause and exalt it to its due place without lowering any other.

We recommend:

1. That the Finance Committee be instructed to include among the appropriations for the coming year the sum of $7,000 for National Reform.

2. That all friends of the cause be urged to special efforts in behalf of local and State conventions.

3. That the offerings for National Reform be lifted as usual by means of envelopes, and that, as far as possible, the names of the donors accompany the contributions.

4. That the report of the Executive Committee of the National Reform Association be published in connection with this report.

(Signed) McLeod Pearce,
J. M. Wylie,
Isaiah Faris,
David Love.

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL REFORM ASSOCIATION.

To the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church:

In accordance with your request we present to you the following condensed report of our work during the past year:

I. The Laborers.

Dr. H. H. George has been still disabled by continued ill health from active labors during the year, and, as in former years, has received no compensation for the time not spent in active work.

The Rev. J. S. Martin was appointed September 1st, 1904, to the post of Office Secretary, to give such time to the work as his congregation might agree to yield. After one month's labor Mr. Martin was stricken with fever and has been unable to resume his work. The Rev. T. H. Acheson, of Denver, was appointed Secretary to Young People's Societies, to render such service along other lines of work as might be called for. Mr. Acheson entered on his work September 1st, and for eight months labored with signal success. He was then appointed to the post of Office Secretary, but before any reply from him was received he was sorely injured in the recent railroad disaster near Harrisburg, Pa., and now lies in the hospital at that place slowly recovering. We record our thanks that his life was spared, and our prayers that he may be speedily restored to his exceedingly useful labors. With these exceptions there have been no changes in the working force of the Association during the year.

II. Our Literature.

To the very considerable and growing list of our publications there have been added five new titles during the past year: "The Annual Report for the Year Ending April 30th, 1904;" "The Oath in Civil Life," by Dr. W. J. Coleman; "Our National Christianity and Fundamental Law," by the Rev. John A. Henderson; "Our Sabbath Laws," by Dr. R. C. Wylie, and "The Divine Commission of the National Reform Movement," by the General Secretary. These are all tracts of from ten to sixteen pages each, and of each of them an edition of five thousand copies has been printed. These, with the regular monthly issues of *The Christian Statesman,* make a total issue of fully a million and a half of copies.

In addition to these, the Rev. Dr. R. C. Wylie has been engaged for several years, under the direction of the Association, in preparing a work on "Sabbath Laws in the United States." This work has been completed, and is now in the hands of the printer. This volume will give the laws of all the States relating to the Lord's Day and the judicial decisions which have interpreted and applied them. In preparing this work more than one thousand judicial decisions were examined, and more than three hundred are quoted in the volume. We have the deepest conviction of the value of the use which may be made of this volume, and we earnestly ask for funds specially donated for this purpose.

III. Meetings and Conventions.

There have been held during the year State Conventions in Montpelier, Vt.; in Topeka, Kan.; in Washington, Iowa; in Denver, Col., and local meetings in Northfield, Mass.; at Winona Lake, Ind.; in Boston, Mass., and in Philadelphia, Pa., besides the many meetings arranged for by Prof. J. R. Dill, and the annual meeting which was held in Pittsburgh, Pa. At these meetings, ninety-five carefully prepared addresses have been delivered. The effect of all this on the men who have prepared these addresses and delivered them, on the audiences which have heard them, and on the public who have read the reports in the public journals, is manifestly beyond our power to compute. In connection with every State Convention the effort was made to reach, with the call for the convention and the literature of the movement, every pastor and every newspaper in the State. We are striving earnestly to reach the point at which we will be able to hold such a convention every year in every State in the Union.

These features of our work for the year we present as representative of the whole. The full printed report for the year will be placed in the hands of the members of Synod. In those pages will be found in further detail our labors for the reformation of our marriage and divorce laws, for the expulsion of a Mormon Apostle from the Senate of the United States, the main-

tenance of the Bible in the schools, and in behalf of suitable Christian acknowledgments in State and National Constitutions.

In closing this report we wish to lay grateful emphasis on the fact that our whole work is becoming more and more distinctly a religious movement. The bearing of the public evils against which we contend on the salvation of men; the guilt of the nation because of these evils; the necessity of divine forgiveness for national sins, and of national repentance and reformation as conditions precedent to such forgiveness, are themes which are more and more discussed in our conventions. We are striving to make the whole movement a real turning of the people to God with confession of sin and prayer for pardon and genuine purpose of reformation, and to make our assemblies vehicles for the expression of these convictions and emotions.

In view of the enlarging work of the Association, we request an appropriation from your Synod as large as can possibly be given.

Dr. C. D. Trumbull has been requested to speak for this cause before your body.

Signed in behalf of the National Reform Association,

T. P. Stevenson,
R. C. Wylie,
F. M. Wilson,
David McAllister,
James S. Martin,
J. S. Thompson,
R. H. Martin,
D. C. Martin,
J. R. Wylie,
H. H. George.

Synod adjourned with prayer by R. C. Reed.

MORNING SESSION.

Same place, Tuesday, May 30th, 9 A. M., Synod met and was constituted with prayer by H. H. George.

Roll-call was omitted. The minutes were read and approved. The following was adopted:

Resolved, That the three Pastors of our Church, in Philadelphia, be appointed a Committee to carry the fraternal greetings of this Synod to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, on the occasion of the celebration of the two hundredth anniversary of the organization of the Supreme Judicatory of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., in May, 1906.

J. R. W. Stevenson and J. R. Magee were granted leave of absence.

The following was adopted:

Resolved, That since this is the four hundredth anniversary of the birth of the great reformer of Scotland, John Knox, and since

all of the Presbyterian Churches throughout the world are celebrating this event, we call the attention of all our members to the fact and urge our ministers to preach at some convenient time during the year on the life of Knox and the great principles of the Reformation which he proclaimed.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Missions being the order of the day, was resumed with Item 4. This, with all the additional items, was adopted. The report was adopted as a whole, and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The report of the Board of Foreign Missions for 1904-5 is in the main hopeful and encouraging. From the beginning of our missionary enterprises in the Levant we have been beset with grave difficulties in the prosecution of our Lord's work. Mohammedan hatred and malignity, the prejudice and bigotry of the Greek Church and the soul-withering idolatry of the Nusairia have been well nigh insuperable obstacles to our progress. The chief obstacle in the path of spiritual progress among the heathen tribes is the determination of the Turkish Government to close and keep closed our outlying schools among the Nusairia, among which people our most successful mission work is accomplished. In many localities schools could be successfully established were it not for the fear that the Government would impose upon the poor people burdens they would be unable to bear. We can only pray that the "Governor among the nations" who gives His Church the command. "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature," would, "for His truth's sake," cut off and sweep from His earth a government so vile, malignant and oppressive. In China the conditions for mission work appear to be much more favorable. Since the Boxer outbreak the heralds of the cross find more ready access to the benighted millions of that long sealed empire.

In all our mission fields our missionaries give evidence of earnest devoted zeal and diligence in the prosecution of the Lord's work. They are striking vigorous blows against superstition and idolatry and rebellion against the King of Kings, which, by the agency of the spirit's power, will in the end shatter the great image and reduce it to powder. For their encouragement in their arduous toil and labor the Church should send to their help additional laborers and more money. The Church at home has both these helps. Why not send them?

The Board has decided to transfer the Rev. C. A. Dodds from the Syrian to the Asia Minor mission to strengthen the hands of his brother in the work there. This transfer will leave only one ordained minister, one physician and three women missionaries to look after the spiritual interests of about 150,000 people in Syria—a large vineyard indeed for so few laborers. The Board calls upon the Church for vine dressers. May the Lord of the field thrust forth His laborers and fill our hearts with a spirit of liberality, that the workman may receive encouragement and reward.

Dr. Arthur R. Dray, appointed a year ago, is expected to begin work in Asia Minor this autumn. A young woman teacher of experience is desired to share with Miss Sterrett the work of teaching in the mission schools. Dr. Calvin McCarroll is now in Cyprus and will make his head-

quarters at Nicosia. Rev. Julius A. Kempf, another new missionary, has arrived in China, to help the brethren there to establish a new mission at Lin Tan, a city somewhat larger than Tak Hing, where the prospects are regarded as encouraging. Our missions within the last year have lost one medical missionary, Dr. J. Maude George, whose praise is in all the churches.

The attention of the Church is called to the fact that there is a considerable deficit in the treasury of the Syrian Mission, the receipts being $2,951 less than the necessary expenditures, increasing the current account debt to $9,700.

We submit the following recommendations:

1. That our people cultivate an active interest in Foreign Missions as one of the great agencies in bringing the world to acknowledge the claims of Christ our King.

2. That our ministers and elders be exhorted to endeavor to convince the membership of the Church of the shame and wrong of allowing the Foreign Mission treasury to exhibit a deficit year after year.

3. That the action of the Board in sanctioning the opening of a boarding school in Larnaca, for the training of teachers, be approved.

4. That inasmuch as there is an urgent demand for an ordained minister in Northern Syria, and another in Cyprus, that Synod during its present session proceed to elect two ministers to supply these stations.

5. We record with sorrow the death of Andrew Alexander, an honored and loved member of the Board of Foreign Missions. His death occurred on July 29th, 1904. He loved the work of the Board and liberally supported it with his means, and liberally provided by will for the support of this and other schemes of the Church. His liberal gifts were not confined to the Foreign Mission work of the Church, but other schemes were benefited by his munificence. "His works do follow him."

6. We recommend that S. A. S. Metheny, M.D., be appointed a member of the Board of Foreign Missions, to fill the vacancy created by the death of Mr. Alexander; and that Rev. R. C. Montgomery be added to the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

T. C. Sproull,
Samuel McNaugher,
Joseph McKnight,
John Kilpatrick.

REPORT OF FOREIGN MISSIONS BOARD.

The ultimate object of missionary work is that all nations may be led to serve the Lord Christ. This world-wide recognition of His mediatorial supremacy is the great event of prophecy. And all denominations of Christians bear witness that the results of evangelistic operations in heathen lands are not only the conversion of individuals, but also the transformation of society, and a readiness on the part of those brought under the influence of the truth to let His law rule in every department of life. Through the preaching of the gospel there are being wrought in every part of the world to-day moral, social and civil changes that compel attention, not only calling forth the adoring praises of men who are watching the predicted advance of Christianity, but also flashing conviction into the minds of its enemies that the agency producing results so marvelously must be of God. We see not yet all things put under Him, but we see Jesus crowned as king, and all power in His hands.

The testimony of the Reformed Presbyterian Church binds its representatives to regard the cross and the crown as inseparable parts of the gospel message; and their preaching of a full Christ is bearing its appropriate fruit in all the foreign mission fields.

Syria.—One of the most encouraging features of the work in northern Syria, and one that has not been emphasized in former reports of the Board, is that all the native workers, except Licentiate Juraidiny, whose early days were spent in Lebanon, where he was converted to Christianity in 1870, were educated and trained in our own schools; and even Mr. Juraidiny, before his licensure in 1882, enjoyed the advantage of special instruction in theology by Dr. Joseph Beattie. The eight teachers in the two boarding schools at Latakia, the two in Tartoos, and the one in the hill country north of that town, as well as the three men employed as evangelists or Bible readers in the northeastern and central parts of the field, are the fruit of the Mission. Besides these, there are probably six men not now engaged who are qualified to teach small schools or act as Scripture readers, if the restrictions put in the way by the Turkish Government were removed. And at least eight of these workers are of Nusairia or pagan origin. Many others, unable to obtain work at home, have been forced to go to other fields for employment, or have emigrated to this country, thus lessening the net increase of communicants that would be reported under more favorable circumstances.

This is also true of Suadia. There were three teachers in the boys' school during the year, one a convert from the Greek Catholics in Mersina and the other two converts of this Mission from the Nusairia, who, after completing their studies in Suadia, took a two-years' course at Latakia. The teacher, who assists Miss Cunningham with her large class of women, was converted in Latakia Mission perhaps fifteen years ago. Besides the native workers at present engaged in this center, there are three girls from Miss Cunningham's school under training in Latakia for teachers, all members of the Church, and another ready to go.

At the opening of the school year in October, Miss Cunningham, who has been on furlough in America for a few months, will resume her duties in Suadia, where she has labored so efficiently for many years, and Miss Maggie B. Edgar, who has been visiting friends in the home land in search of needed rest, will take up her work in the Latakia boys' school, which has been in charge of Rev. James S. Stewart during her absence.

The value of school work in Syria, and inferentially in the other mission fields, is seen in two quotations from the annual statements of the missionaries. Speaking of her school of sixty-one boarders and twenty-five day pupils from nine villages and Latakia, and representing five different sects, not counting two Moslem girls, Miss Wylie says: "In the primary department there are two grades. Twenty in the lower grade have committted each forty-two verses of Scripture, seventy-five verses of the Psalms in meter and four pages of Brown's Catechism. The second grade have committed each five chapters, ten Psalms, all of Brown's Catechism and half of the Golden Treasury, or book of questions on Bible incidents and characters. One little girl has nearly finished it. In the next department there are three grades. The most advanced have learned nine hundred of the four thousand questions and answers on the Bible, thirty Psalms and eleven chapters, and have read from Genesis to Judges. The next class have learned the first part of the Shorter Catechism, with proofs, six chapters and ten Psalms, and have read from Matthew to Romans. The third class have committed with them the six chapters and ten Psalms, finished the Catechism without proofs, read the last half of the Peep of Day, the gospel of John, and nine chapters of Matthew.

"In the next room the advanced class have committed twelve hundred and forty-two of the Bible questions and answers, eleven chapters and thirty

Psalms, and are studying Church history. The next class in this room have learned nine hundred Bible questions and eight chapters. The Bible is read in connection with these studies. All the advanced classes have learned the 49th chapter of Isaiah in remembrance of Dr. Maude George. They requested a chapter to commit in memory of my father, and I gave them John 10.

"The school is opened each day with devotional exercises of half an hour. The morning worship consists of the reading of a chapter and prayer before they leave the breakfast table. In the evening worship a portion of a Psalm is sung, a chapter is read in concert, and then there is a study hour."

If the children of any family or Sabbath school connected with one of the congregations in the Covenanter Church at home had stored away in their memories the same amount of precious truth, within the same period of time, it would be heralded all over this broad land, from Maine to California.

The Rev. C. A. Dodds, speaking of his efforts to reach the outlying multitudes with the gospel, and his inability to accomplish much, says: "However, the little that I have done has enabled me to realize a little better the density of the darkness that envelops this lovely Suadia valley —a darkness that can be felt. * * * It is but rarely I come across a man—a woman never—who can read. The abounding ignorance seems, to human vision, to interpose an insurmountable barrier." In view of the ignorance that our missionary thus describes, how trifling seems the annual expenditure of a few thousand dollars that the children of Syria, soon to be its men and women, may be able to read the words of eternal life.

The Lord's Supper was administered in Suadia, April, 1904, when there were no accessions; but now there are four applicants, and some inquirers, concerning whom Mr. Dodds gives interesting details that will be published with this report. There are twenty-six names on the roll of communicants, but that number will soon have to be reduced, as three do not attend the services and seven are at present away from the place. The death of Licentiate Ibrahim Jukki, who finished his course Tuesday, February 7th, 1905, has removed from this part of the field a man of eminent piety, having, in the words of Rev. R. J. Dodds, "a beauty of character and social qualities that endeared him to all persons capable of appreciating goodness."

The sacrament was also dispensed once at Inkzik and twice in Latakia, fifteen being added to the membership of the Church on profession of faith, and two by restoration to full privileges, bringing the number of communicants up to two hundred and fifteen, a net increase of three. There was preaching every Sabbath at Suadia and Latakia, as well as Tartoos, where Licentiate Juraidiny continues to conduct a flourishing school of over a hundred pupils, and preaches on the Sabbath to an audience that is only limited by the size of the room. At Gunaimia, an Armenian village, where there are about sixty communicants, there is public worship on the Sabbath and preaching by the missionary or a licentiate, as frequently as possible. The point at which there is the least encouragement is Bahamra, where an evangelist is regularly employed; but there is no liberty, as Mr. Stewart writes, "to labor among the Nusairia there nor anywhere else. Time and again we have been warned by the chiefs not to go among the villages, because the Government has threatened them with heavy penalties in case they permit us to do so. They say to us, 'If you can bring permission from the Government for your work, so that no burdens shall be put upon us on your account, you are welcome; otherwise, you must desist.' A new enrollment of the Nusairia has been begun, and all are to be written down as regular Moslems. It is not likely that any of our members will be recognized as Christians, however much they may desire it. At the beginning of mission work here the case was very different, and, let

it be understood, that the opposition now is not from these people, but from the Government. Until the Most High, who ruleth in all the affairs of men, again opens the door of faith to these needy people, the Mission can do very little for them. A large number of Nusairia children are in the boarding schools, for which we are thankful, but we cannot tell what course the Government may pursue with these when the new enrollment has been completed."

In this Syrian field there are three hundred and eighty-seven children under religious instruction.

In the absence of Dr. J. M. Balph, who had to come home with Miss Willia A. Dodds, but who expects to return in the autumn, there is nothing to report in regard to the medical department.

The Board has decided to transfer Rev. C. A. Dodds from Syria to Asia Minor, where he will be associated with his brother, who is in urgent need of the help and sympathy that come from congenial companionship, and where, from his viewpoint, there is a brighter prospect of immediate results. This transfer will leave only one ordained minister, one physician and three women missionaries to meet the spiritual necessities of the field that we have undertaken to cultivate in northern Syria, with its estimated population of 75,000 Nusairia, 40,000 Moslems and 35,000 belonging to nominally Christian sects. Surely such spiritual destitution is an appeal that should be so resistless in the ears and hearts of men and women fully surrendered to Christ as to put another minister and another missionary teacher into the field at once. What is needed to fill up the depleted ranks of laborers abroad is a baptism of fire at home.

Asia Minor.—In Asia Minor, with centers of operation at Mersina, Tarsus and Adana, hostility from an unexpected quarter has signally failed to stay the progress of the work. A cruel attempt to undermine the character of the minister in charge, and thus destroy his influence in the community, secretly planned and afterward openly avowed by Licentiate Yusef Judeed, of Tarsus, has resulted in the revoking of his license and his suspension from the privileges of the Church at a special meeting of the Syrian Commission, April 13th, 1905. Though for this and other reasons a net decrease of five has reduced the active membership of the Church to seventy-one, our missionary, who has borne himself with rare prudence and courage during months of severe trial, is able to tell of open doors, seemingly earnest inquiries, two accessions and large promises of an abundant ingathering. When he is joined by his brother and Dr. Arthur R. Dray, who was appointed medical missionary a year ago, and is expected to go out this autumn, the only increase in the staff of foreign laborers necessary will be a young woman, a teacher of experience, to share with Miss Sterrett the burden of school work that she has so cheerfully borne alone since the return and subsequent resignation of Miss Lizzie McNaughton after ten years of very loyal service. Here, as in Syria, the native workers that were employed last year, eight teachers, two Bible women and three evangelists, with one or perhaps two exceptions, received their education and training in some of our mission schools.

In this field there are three hundred and seventy-six children and young people under religious instruction.

The resolution to raise a fund for the purchase of the Mersina property, belonging to the estate of the late Dr. David Metheny, referred to the Board, was considered at its first meeting after Synod. It was decided that in the judgment of the Board it would be unwise for the Church to invest so much money in real estate in Turkey at the present time.

The situation in reference to mission schools is not yet exactly defined. The United States Government proposes, as we understand the official position, to insist that the Sultan virtually granted the privileges demanded by the "Concessions" when his secretary last August communicated to

the American Minister the consent of the Sultan, although this was not done by a formal State document. Instructions from Washington apparently authorize the Legation at Constantinople to proceed, and some steps are being taken to make a test case upon this basis. In any event, all that the Sublime Porte has so far conceded is that schools already established shall be regarded as free from taxation and entitled to protection. This should be helpful to the work at the leading centers, but it will not authorize the reopening of schools that were unjustly closed years ago by Turkish officials. We can only say that, while the conditions are far from satisfactory, the outlook for improvement is brighter than it was twelve months ago.

Cyprus.—The center of Cyprus Mission is Larnaca, where Rev. Walter McCarroll and family have their home, and where the gospel is preached every Sabbath. His brother, Dr. Calvin McCarroll, who was sent out in October, 1904, will make his medical headquarters at Nicosia, the Capital, and will visit other towns on certain days for the purpose of holding clinics. On the island there are twenty-eight communicants, eleven in Larnaca, seven in Nicosia, six in Famagusta, two in Kyrenia and two in Paphos, and we locate them that anyone having the map of our mission fields can ascertain where our Covenanter brethren in Cyprus live. Nineteen of these were added last year, a net increase of twelve. The Lord's Supper was administered four times—twice in Famagusta, once in Larnaca and once in Nicosia. There were nine native workers, including two ordained ministers, one licentiate, two colporteurs and four teachers, and there were thirty-eight pupils of three nationalities under religious instruction.

In compliance with the persistent request of Mr. McCarroll, the Board has sanctioned the opening of a boarding school in Larnaca for the training of native teachers. The plan that has been endorsed is as follows: The $1,200 donated by Rev. D. J. Shaw, of New Alexandria, Pa., to erect a building in memory of his wife will be expended in the erection of a house on the mission property that will include six or seven recitation rooms, one to be a library, and a large common study room, where the principal will meet the classes. Across the street can be procured at an annual rental of $100, two detached buildings, one of which will make an excellent dormitory for twenty-five boys, and the other, a bungalow, will serve for dining room, kitchen and home for the matron and servants. The missionaries themselves will, with the assistance of Dr. H. H. George, provide the necessary furniture. There will be five teachers, only one in addition to those now employed, and without an increase of salaries. The boarding department, which is to be self-supporting, will be in charge of Mrs. Aegyptiades, her husband, who is one of the teachers, sleeping in the dormitory and taking oversight of the boys. According to the figures sent to the Board, this plan can be carried out at about $440 less than the mission estimate for last year.

China.—The Mission at Tak Hing Chau in South China continues to give indications of ever-widening success. There are now twenty-three converts, a net increase of ten, who have accepted Jesus Christ as their Saviour and pledged allegiance to Him as King, and they are cheering the missionaries with that clearest evidence of reality, a desire to disseminate the truth and bring others to a saving knowledge of Christ. Some of them are said to "give promise of becoming useful as preachers after having received the necessary preliminary training." Among other things there are mentioned as full of significance, the "distinctly friendly attitude of the community," and "the fact that men belonging to a higher class socially than those who have already united with the Church are making inquiry and are investigating the gospel message."

This report certainly indicates diligence and fidelity on the part of our

senior missionary and his brother, Rev. J. K. Robb. And the same gospel which is revealing such power, will soon be preached to the children in a school established for that purpose. Miss Torrence, who spent some months last winter in Canton, with permission of the Board, "teaching in a girls' school, and studying methods," hopes to begin work at Tak Hing Chau in September of this year, although no one has yet volunteered to go to her assistance. To young women who have written to her from this country asking information, this is her reply: "We need some one able and willing to do the hardest work she ever undertook, and ready to shoulder any responsibility."

Dr. Wright, too, and Drs. Kate and Jean McBurney are busy in their special department, and there is not wanting evidence of the value of medicine as a means of bringing men to weigh the claims of the Christian religion. Physicians who are owned of God to heal diseases of long standing that have baffled the crude treatment of native doctors, will have the ear of any one to whom their skill has brought relief; and, when once the truth has taken hold of the mind, it will eventually bring the whole man under its renovating sway. With this branch of the Mission will be forever identified the name of Dr. J. Maude George. It was her presence in the field that called forth a liberal donation for a hospital, and, while waiting for the erection of suitable buildings, when plans for the extension of the work, latent in her mind, should take visible form, she was summoned to higher service. At 7 o'clock on the evening of the first Sabbath of September, 1904, far away from the scenes of her girlhood, yet with friends whom she had learned to love around her, she passed out into the light of the heavenly world.

With the arrival of Rev. Julius A. Kempf, who was appointed missionary June 27th, 1904, and who reached China in October, in company with Rev. A. I. Robb and Miss Torrence, on their return to the field after a brief visit to America, the question of another station has come up for consideration. The selection of a suitable center, as well as the disposition of the forces, must be left with the missionaries on the ground. Probably, however, as Mr. Robb writes, "the choice will be Lin Tan, a city somewhat larger than Tak Hing, situated about twenty miles to the southwest of that place, on a small tributary of the West River. The field has not yet been thoroughly looked over, but all that has been learned in regard to it is most encouraging. It is entirely unoccupied, no station of any denomination being nearer than twenty miles, and it is in the midst of a fertile and populous district." In this vicinity there is a village of over thirty men, who have thrown away their idols, and are anxously waiting for our missionaries to tell them of the only true God and Jesus Christ, whom He has sent.

For fuller particulars in regard to all the foreign missions, the Board refers to the annual statements from the fields that will be published in connection with this Report.

Attention is called to the Reports of Treasurer Miller, which should be carefully studied. The receipts for the Syrian Mission were $2,951, less than the necessary expenditures, increasing the current account debt to $9,700. The income from congregations, Sabbath schools and missionary societies, was $2,645 less than last year, not the exact equivalent of the offering that the late President of the Board made on the day of the annual collection in December, 1903, but near enough to justify us in saying that his death explains the deficit, and indicates that the people generally are not fully alive to the responsibility that rests on them to sustain the work. The receipts for China were only $232 in excess of the expenditures, which will necessarily increase with the growth of the Mission. Any one who has the Minutes of Synod can verify these figures, and grasp the situation at once. Evidently the churches need instruction as to Christian

giving, and the best place to preach effectively on that subject is in the pulpit, not in an official report.

It only remains to record our appreciation of the late Andrew Alexander, the efficient President of the Board for nearly six years, who passed away July 29th, 1904. A devout Christian, a merchant who understood and acted on the principle of stewardship in the management of property, an active friend of every missionary enterprise, and a Covenanter loyal to the distinctive testimony of the Church, he has finished his course, and rests from his labors.

Respectfully submitted,

In the name of the Board,

R. M. Sommerville, *Cor. Sec.*

It was resolved that Synod proceed, without nominations, to ballot for two missionaries, as suggested in Item 4 of the report of the Committee on Foreign Missions, and that one be voted for at a time. After prayer by Dr. Sommerville, the election was proceeded with and resulted in the unanimous choice of J. S. McGaw and W. H. George.

It was resolved that all further steps in this matter be referred to the Board of Foreign Missions.

Devotional exercises were engaged in, James Young presiding.

Recess was taken until 2 P. M. Prayer by J. W. Pritchard.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Same place, 2 P. M., Synod met and was led in prayer by T. Patton.

Roll called. The following persons were absent: John Crozier, Samuel Edgar, J. C. George, P. J. McDonald, D. D. Mearns, W. A. Russell, T. M. Slater, R. A. Wilson. The most of these soon appeared. The minutes were read, corrected and approved.

Committee appointed to write a letter of sympathy to T. H. Acheson reported the matter attended to.

H. A. Young was granted leave of absence.

Report of Committee on Traveling Fund. The report was received and adopted, and is as follows:

COMMITTEE ON TRAVELING FUND.

Your Committee on Traveling Fund would report as follows:

Received from Chairman of Committee of last year balance reported		$1 31
From Presbyteries, quota in full		2,788 50
From Oakland Mission		12 00
From assessment of $1.53 per member of Synod to meet deficit		257 04
Total receipts		$3,058 85
Paid to railroad agent 25 cents per certificate	$27 00	

TO TRAVELING EXPENSES.

To 9 delegates of Colorado Presbytery	609 39	
To 15 delegates of Illinois Presbytery	339 26	
To 14 delegates of Iowa Presbytery	356 40	
To 27 delegates of Kansas Presbytery	820 53	
To 14 delegates of Lakes Presbytery	131 18	
To 3 delegates of N. B. and N. S. Presbytery	120 65	
To 18 delegates of New York Presbytery	352 75	
To 7 delegates of Ohio Presbytery	42 52	
To 4 delegates of Philadelphia Presbytery	46 25	
To 49 delegates of Pittsburgh Presbytery	80 50	
To 7 delegates of Rochester Presbytery	107 17	
To 1 delegate of Vermont Presbytery	25 11	
		3,058 71
Balance on hand		$0 14

By order of Committee.

ANDREW J. MCFARLAND, *Chairman.*
P. J. MCDONALD,
GEORGE STEELE,
J. R. W. STEVENSON,
W. C. PADEN,
J. E. FOSTER,
THOMAS MCFALL,
SAMUEL MCNAUGHER,
A. A. SAMSON,
T. P. STEVENSON,
E. L. MCKNIGHT,
JOHN YATES,
D. C. FARIS,
Committee.

Report of Committee on Sustentation and Church Erection. The report was recommitted.

Report of Committee on Young People's Societies. The report was taken up item by item for adoption. Items all adopted. The report was adopted as a whole, and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON YOUNG PEOPLES' SOCIETIES.

Recent Synodical reports on Young Peoples' Societies have established several points as to the organization, work and usefulness of the young peoples' movement. Reports are unanimous in recognizing a large measure of loyalty and devotion to the principles and traditions of our Church. Perhaps no Church has a more loyal youth than has our own. Socially, intellectually and spiritually our youth are developing. Missionary zeal is being kindled; increasing attention is being given to Bible study.

It has seemed wise to your Committee to bring our report to bear on the work of our societies for the coming year rather than on that of the past year. Much as has been done to increase the devotion of our young people to the Church and her mission, we should still press toward the goal unto the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

We have thought the special topics bearing on our distinctive principles, ordered by last Synod, might be drawn directly from our Covenant.

Topics.

1. September 3d, 1905. Our Covenant: God our only Salvation. Sec. 1.

2. October 1st, 1905. Our Covenant: Christian Civil Government and Our Duty Under Existing Civil Conditions. Sec. 3.

3. November 5th, 1905. Our Covenant: Christian Unity and Our Duty Toward Christian Brethren of Every Name. Sec. 4.

4. December 3d, 1905. Our Covenant: Christian Witnessing. Sec. 6.

It is hoped that these topics will lead to an added interest in our Covenant bond and a deeper sense of Covenant obligations.

Another matter is claiming wide-spread attention among Christian brethren, viz., the formation of classes for the study of missions. If our young people are to keep abreast the times in which we live and be ready to follow the leading of Providence, we cannot ignore this most profitable exercise. It is the earnest desire of your Committee that action be taken by this Synod which may, by God's blessing, result in an increased interest in mission study by our young people. Many are already pursuing more or less extensive courses. To suggest a plan that would meet with universal approval, and be adopted throughout the entire Church, we scarcely venture to hope. But that those who have never yet tasted the good things prepared for Mission Study classes may be led to partake of at least a little of the feast of fat things, we would suggest a course of seven lessons, in as many consecutive weeks, to be conducted in each congregation by the pastor or some competent person; that these lessons begin with the first week of November; that they be held on such week evening (say Wednesday before or after prayer-meeting) as may be decided in each congregation; that "Princely Men in the Heavenly Kingdom," by Harlan P. Beach (in case any congregation has not already covered it), be used as the text book, and that the first six evenings of the course be devoted to its six lessons of missionary biography, and the seventh evening to a lesson on our own mission in China. This book (paper, 35 cents; cloth, 50 cents) can be procured from the United Society of Christian Endeavor, Boston and Chicago. Where for any reason the pastor and young people of a congregation may deem it wise to substitute some other book, or a more or less extensive course of study, they will feel at liberty so to do. Our only object is to seek to enlist all our young people in a campaign of mission study. Our Lord and Leader in mission work would surely bless such an effort to increase missionary intelligence and enthusiasm. If the Synod approve this proposal we predict that where one class for mission study now exists there will be a dozen in the future, and instead of the brief course we have outlined being accepted by our young people as a limit, many will extend their study to other fields.

We would touch upon one point more. Something should be done to stimulate Bible study. The children of the Reformed Presbyterian Church ought to be—and, if we are to hold our place as a denomination, must be—above other young people, students of the Divine Word. It is to be feared that we study around and about, more than in, the Bible. Nothing can take the place of the study of the Bible itself. It seems safe to say that many born and raised within the Church have a knowledge of God's Word in no way adequate to a Christian's modern needs. If any plan can be suggested that can enlist the interest of our young people in God's own

spirit-breathed Word, and help unlock to them its treasures of truth and power, we ought not to rest until that plan has been conceived and adopted. A study of the Bible, book by book, should prove helpful. We may reasonably assume that our young people need direction in this method of Bible study. Pastors might during the coming year conduct in the course of their regular pulpit ministrations a number of book studies, following such a plan as would acquaint the people with the writer and his circumstances, the customs of the times, the theme of the book, its outline, its principal doctrines, etc., bring all within the compass of one discourse, and into such form that a general view of the book and the key to its meaning could be carried in the mind. Such a degree of interest might thus be awakened that the people will be eager to follow up the pastor's treatment with additional study. From this the people could scarcely help getting a better idea of the separate books and their application to our lives.

We recommend:

1. That the special topics based on our Covenant be adopted by Synod for use in all our Young People's Societies instead of the regular topics for those days, and that persons preparing helps for the columns of our Church papers make the indicated sections of the Covenant, together with appropriate passages of Scripture, the basis of their comments.

2. That pastors be requested to provide for conducting at least the following course (or its equivalent) in mission study, using as a text book "Princely Men in the Heavenly Kingdom," by Harlan P. Beach:

Lesson I. For week beginning November 5th, 1905, Robert Morrison, "China's Protestant Pioneer."

Lesson II. For the week beginning November 12th, 1905, John Kenneth McKenzie, "The Beloved Physician."

Lesson III. For the week beginning November 19th, 1905, James Gilmour, "The Apostle to the Mongols."

Lesson IV. For the week beginning November 26th, 1905, John Livingstone Nevius, "The Christian Organizer."

Lesson VI. For the week beginning December 10th, 1905, Princely Martyrs of China's Spiritual Renaissance, or Martyrs of the Boxer Uprising.

Lesson VII. For the week beginning December 17th, 1905, Our Mission in China.

3. That the Rev. A. I. Robb be requested to prepare an historical sketch of our Mission in China, for use in the last lesson of this course, and that it be published in our Church papers in time for the lesson as indicated.

4. That earnest, believing prayer be offered in the sanctuary and in the homes throughout the entire Church during this campaign of mission study, pleading that the blessing of the Head of the Church may rest upon our efforts, deepen our zeal and devotion, and greatly increase missionary effort and success in the fields of our own Church and all others throughout the world.

5. That pastors seek to interest their young people in Bible study by giving them at convenient times in their pulpit ministrations during the next year studies, according to the above sugestions, on the books of Jonah and Obadiah, Galatians and Philippians.

6. That the Committee for next year be instructed to report to this Synod at its next meeting how fully the foregoing recommendations have been carried out.

F. M. Wilson,
Ernest M. Elsey,
G. Renwick Steele,
B. M. Thomson,
A. F. Atchison.

The courtesies of the floor were extended to Rev. W. P. McGary.

The collection for the janitor of the Church amounted to $19.00.

Committees on Records of Presbyteries reported. One report was amended. Nothing contrary to the law and order of the Church was found in the records of any except Colorado and New York. The reports were all adopted.

The report of the Committee on Sustentation and Church Erection was again presented. The report was received and adopted, and is as follows:

Your Committee on Sustentation and Church Erection would report: The reports of this Board, and also the report of the Board of Control, were placed in our hands and examined.

The report on Church Erection shows that new houses of worship were erected last year in Chicago, Ill.; Hetherton, Mich.; Third Philadelphia and Washington, Iowa, and extensive repairs made on the church buildings at Bellefontaine, Ohio, and Fair Grove, Mich.; and that the mortgages on the buildings of First Boston and St. Louis have been reduced. This Board expended $4,600. We recommend that R. M. Sommerville, F. M. Foster, Henry O'Neal and S. K. McGuire be elected their own successors on the Board of Church Erection.

The report of the Board of Sustentation shows that seventeen pastors in sixteen congregations received assistance varying from $90 to almost $500.

This scheme of the Church should receive the means needed for the support of a self-denying ministry. May God raise up more of those who will act on the principles of Prov. 3:9.

We would gratefully record our appreciation of the gift by will of the late Andrew Alexander of $20,000, and would commend his liberality as an example to others in supporting this scheme of the Church.

We recommend that this Board be directed to distribute the funds according to the schedule reported to Synod.

The report of the Board of Control shows that five ministers, two of whom have been called to their final reward, received aid to the amount of $1,500; that ten widows of ministers received $2,000, and that seven students received $1,625. Those who contribute to these schemes have cheered the last days of faithful workmen, and have lifted a load of anxiety from the hearts of widows and orphans.

We recommend that Elder Robert J. Allen, of Sharon Congregation, be chosen to take the place on the Board made vacant by the resignation of J. W. Cavin, and that W. C. Allen be chosen his own successor on the Board of Control.

Respectfully submitted.

A. Kilpatrick,
W. J. McBurney,
J. G. McConnell,
John A. Newcombe,
S. E. Greer.

CHURCH ERECTION.

The Board of Church Erection would respectfully report: That the usual meetings have been held, and the business intrusted to our care has received careful attention. The call for aid during the fiscal year has been greater than during the year past, and has caused the Board to appropriate all monies in the treasury, barring collections lifted the first Sabbath of April.

First of all, the Board records with sorrow the death of one of its esteemed and honored members—Elder Andrew Alexander. We cherish his memory and seek to emulate his example as he followed Christ.

NEW CHURCHES.

Your Board has the pleasure of mentioning work done without the aid of church erection funds, and which shows marked liberality.

Washington.

Washington Congregation, the Rev. W. C. Allen, pastor, without asking help from your Board, erected a modern and substantial church. The main audience room is 38 x 40; prayer-meeting room, 26 x 14, and vestibule, 10 x 10; seating capacity, 300. The church is modern, cozy, comfortable and homelike, and cost $5,000. The liberality of Washington Congregation is worthy of commendation.

Third Philadelphia.

Also the Third Philadelphia, the Rev. R. C. Montgomery, D.D., pastor, erected a handsome church, large and commodious, and well suited to their needs. The audience room is 55 x 55, with a Sabbath-school room and other conveniences in the basement. The auditorium, including gallery, will seat 350. The pastor's study and deacons' room are on the main floor. The cost of the building, together with the location, was $35,000, and was raised without asking aid. Pastor and people should be commended for their liberality.

Hetherton.

Hetherton Congregation, the Rev. E. G. Elsey, pastor, has built a church, 26 x 56, with a front 10 x 22. It is a substantial wood structure. The inside is ceiled with hemlock. The auditorium is seated with 150 chairs and is heated with a furnace, which, the pastor writes, "is a failure and must come out." The spirit of the people is well set forth by Mr. Elsey: "Our people here are beginners, but I did not want them to start out asking for help, and have not for myself. I want the congregation to grow up a helpful congregation, independent and useful. I have three fine deacons. They think they will ask for some aid."

This struggling congregation has done nobly, and is worthy of special commendation. They built their church and put it in condition to be used without asking help. Now that they have reached this point, they are unable to finish the building and make it comfortable, and have intimated that they may ask help from your Board. They are commended for their self-sacrificing liberality.

St. Louis.

As reported last year, the St. Louis Congregation, the Rev. M. M. Pearce, pastor, has been carrying a mortgage of $5,000. In addition to their church property, they own a lot, which, if sold, would partly liquidate the debt. Waiting opportunity to sell at a fair price, the congregation sought further aid from your Board to help them bear the burden of this mortgage. After carefully considering the matter, your Board appropriated $1,000, to be applied on reduction of mortgage. Pastor and people are encouraged.

First Boston.

First Boston Congregation, the Rev. Samuel McNaugher, pastor, has for well nigh thirty years struggled with a great debt. Effort was now and then made to reduce it, and which succeeded only in part. A year ago the debt was $22,500, demanding an annual interest of $900. It was determined by pastor and people to make a heroic effort to reduce the debt. The people made large contributions themselves. They received permission from the Board of Church Erection to canvass for funds. The Board appropriated $1,000 by way of aid and encouragement. The pastor succeeded well in collecting money. Altogether, $4,000 have been gotten together, with hopes outstanding to materially increase the amount. Their expectation is to bring the mortgage down to $18,000, and possibly to $17,500. For the aid the congregation received, both pastor and people are very thankful.

Chicago.

The church-building enterprise of the Chicago Congregation has been before the Church for a number of years. After the ordination and installation of their pastor, the Rev. Robert Clarke, the gathering of money, through his energetic efforts, was pushed with very great success. Lots were bought, and the work of erecting the building was entered upon a little over a year ago. Last fall the church was completed, and was dedicated free of debt. It is a brick and stone structure, 83 x 54 feet. It is one story and gothic style. The total cost, including lots, was about $21,000. The congregation, small as it is, contributed $4,000; your Board appropriated $2,000. The balance—$15,000—was contributed by the many friends of Chicago Congregation. All monies contributed outside of the congregation, together with the appropriation by the Board of Church Erection, have been secured by non-interest-bearing mortgages to the Reformed Presbyterian Church.

All rejoice at the completion of their work, and none more so than the pastor and people of the Chicago Congregation.

Fairgrove.

This congregation, in northern Michigan, has been under the efficient pastoral care of Rev. T. C. Sproull. The church was built when Fairgrove had but few houses and was thought to have an unimportant outlook. The church was located one-half mile from the village. By the coming of a railroad the town became a more important center. It finally became evident that the church should have been in the village. Under Mr. Sproull's leadership the plan of buying lots in Fairgrove and of moving the church —a strong frame structure—the half mile was developed.

The congregation, being of limited means, application was made to the Board of Church Erection for aid, and $400 were appropriated to complete the undertaking.

Bellefontaine.

Nearly twenty-five years ago the Bellefontaine Congregation bought the church which they still occupy. During recent years the building has suffered through the decay of the roof; so much so that the whole interior needed renovation. Rev. J. M. Faris, who is so efficiently laboring there, led the congregation in earnest efforts to make the necessary repairs. But they were unable to complete the work without a little help. Your Board, to aid in this work, appropriated $200 to Bellefontaine Congregation.

Other congregations are waiting until providential indications lead them to begin the erection of a church. One of these is Los Angeles Congregation, the Rev. P. J. McDonold, stated supply. A church is needed there.

SEATTLE.

The Seattle Congregation, to which the Board, by the direction of Synod, 1895, loaned $1,000, has informed the Board of their petition to Synod, praying that said loan, with accrued interest, be canceled.

In addition to said loan, there is a mortgage on Seattle church, held by Synod's Board of Trustees, and which the Board of Church Erection was under the necessity of taking up to save the property from sale.

The Treasurer's report shows receipts from all sources, including balance reported to last Synod.....$6,448 12

DISBURSEMENTS.

To St. Louis	$1,000	
To Chicago	2,000	
To Fairgrove	400	
To Bellefontaine	200	
To First Boston	1,000	
		4,600 00
Balance on hand May 5th, 1905		$1,848 12

The Board would recommend that the usual appropriation of $5,000 be made to this work. The time to which Sommerville, McGuire, O'Neill and Foster were elected has expired and their places should be filled.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT MCAFEE, *Chairman.*
F. M. FOSTER, *Secretary.*

SUSTENTATION.

NEW CASTLE, PA., May 25th, 1905.

The Board of Sustentation would respectfully report that the following congregations have applied for aid from the Sustentation Fund, viz.: Almonte, Barnet, Second Boston, Coldenham, Jonathan's Creek, Kansas City, Lochiel, Mercer, Muskingum and Tomica, Rehoboth, Slippery Rock, St. Louis, Superior, Syracuse, West Hebron and White Lake.

The new applicants are Second Boston, Lochiel, Mercer and Muskingum and Tomica. Aid from Sustentation Fund is given St. Louis Congregation for months of May and June, 1904. Beginning with July 1st, 1904, this congregation receives aid from the Domestic Mission Fund.

The congregations ask for five thousand sixty-two (5,062) dollars.

There are four thousand two hundred twenty-seven and 68/100 (4,227.68) dollars in the treasury for distribution.

The amount asked for this year is one hundred seventy-four (174) dollars less than that asked for last year, and there are one hundred nineteen and 4/100 (119.04) dollars more in the treasury this year than last year.

The amount on hand for distribution is made up as follows:

Balance from last year	$24 56
D. Gregg Endowment	536 47
Executrix Estate of Andrew Alexander, deceased	2,000 00
Congregations, Sabbath-schools, individuals, etc	1,666 65
Total	$4,227 68

Last year we paid 78 per cent. of the amount asked for by the congregations receiving aid from this fund. Our being able to pay 83 per cent. this year is due to the following reasons:

First.—One hundred seventy-four (174) dollars less is asked for this year than last year.

Second.—The contribution made by Prov. 3:9 was from Andrew Alexander. His contribution while living was $1,500 per year. By his will he provided for a payment of not less than $2,000 per year until the sum of $20,000 has been paid to this fund. The $500 increase in contribution from this source has enabled us to increase our dividend.

The congregations, etc., gave $396.54 less this year than last.

If it had not been for the increase in the Alexander gift, we could only have paid 73 per cent. of this year's deficit.

The following table shows the deficit in each congregation and the amount supplemented by the Board, etc.:

Congregations.	Number Members.	Salary P'd by Cong.	Amount P'd per Member.	Deficit.	Supplement by Board.
Almonte	59	$650	$11 02	$300	$249
Barnet	60	450	7 50	226	188
Boston Second	66	600	9 09	600	498
Coldenham	58	400	6 90	300	249
Jonathan's Creek	42	500	11 90	300	249
Kansas City	58	738	12 72	462	383
Lochiel	36	450	12 50	300	249
Mercer (10 mos.)	54	530	9 81	160	133
Muskingum and Tomica (8 mos.)	20	300	15 00	270	224
Rehoboth	42	530	12 62	300	249
Slippery Rock	52	500	9 61	300	249
St. Louis (2 mos.)	47	600	12 77	117	97
Superior	40	450	11 25	350	291
Syracuse Robb (4 mos.)	68	546	8 03	218	181
Syracuse Yates (2 mos.)				109	90
West Hebron	30	310	10 33	450	374
White Lake	53	500	9 43	300	249
				$5,062	$4,202

We ask for an appropriation of $6,000.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. SPROULL, *Chairman.*
A. C. COULTER, *Recording Secretary.*
W. J. COLEMAN, *Corresponding Secretary.*

The Moderator appointed the following Standing Committees:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Unfinished Business.—R. C. Montgomery, J. C. French.

Devotional Exercises.—J. R. W. Stevenson, T. A. McElwain, L. B. Turner.

Order of Business.—S. G. Shaw, R. Hargrave, J. G. McConnell.

Evangelistic Work.—F. M. Foster, J. M. Faris, Thomas Patton, W. F. Wilson, James Torrens.

State of Religion.—J. H. Pritchard, J. F. Crozier, W. S. Fulton, J. R. Magee, John E. Foster.

Sabbath.—J. R. Latimer, J. S. McGaw, G. R. Steele, Joseph McKnight, Robert Allen.

Sabbath Schools.—Robert Clarke, J. S. Martin, I. A. Blackwood, John W. Pritchard, W. S. McAntis.

Young People's Societies.—D. C. Mathews, J. W. Dill, D. C. Martin, W. R. Marvin, T. J. Blackwood.

Secret Societies.—J. M. Johnston, C. D. Trumbull, D. O. Jack, George Aikin, D. Scott Faris.

Psalmody.—W. T. K. Thompson, J. A. Black, James McCune, David Love, J. R. Henderson.

Temperance.—William McFarland, .W C. Paden, G. R. McBurney, H. A. Young, R. J. Miller.

Signs of the Times.—H. H. George, S. F. Kingston, E. M. Elsey, James B. Patterson, J. S. Cannon.

Systematic Beneficence.—S. E. Greer, C. M. Smith, R. H. Martin, A. C. Coulter, Walter T. Miller.

The Committee on Finance reported. The report was laid on the table in order to hear the report of the Committee on Home Missions.

Report of the Committee on Home Missions presented and laid on the table.

The following was adopted:

Resolved, That the second version of the 47th Psalm, in the revised R. P. Version, which was withdrawn by action of the Synod of 1895 as an example to be followed in the revision of the Psalter, be hereby withdrawn from use in the worship of God, as not sufficiently faithful to the Scriptures in its rendering.

The report of the Committee on Finance was taken from the table and considered item by item for adoption.

While the items were under discussion the Moderator was granted leave of absence on account of the funeral of one of the members of his congregation.

T. C. Sproull was called to the chair. He was also granted leave of absence, not being able to remain to the end of the session. A. Kilpatrick was called to the chair.

The report on Finance was again laid on the table.

R. C. Wylie was granted leave of absence. Recess was taken till 8 P. M. Prayer by W. A. Russell.

EVENING SESSION.

Same place, 8 P. M., Synod met and was led in prayer by J. C. French.

Roll call was omitted. The minutes were read and approved.

A. Kilpatrick was appointed Moderator *pro tem.*

Report of Committee on Finance again taken from the table. The consideration of the items was resumed. Some of the items

were amended and all were adopted. The report was adopted as a whole, and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance respectfully reports that the following papers have been placed in their hands:

1. The report of Synod's Board of Trustees.

2. The report of John T. Morton, Treasurer of the Board of Trustees, and of the Central Board of Missions, of the Theological Seminary, of Geneva College, of the Testimony Bearing Fund, the Library Fund, the Funds for Aged Ministers, and the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Ministers. This report has with it the resignation of Mr. Morton as Treasurer, and also as a member of the Board of Trustees.

3. The report of Walter T. Miller, Treasurer of the Syrian Mission, the Mission in China, and of the Church Erection Fund.

4. The report of R. C. Wylie, Synod's Financial Agent for National Reform.

5. Report of the Reformed Presbyterian Women's Association, and the accompanying financial report of the Treasurer.

6. Report of J. S. Tibby, Treasurer of the Literary Fund, with request for instruction as to printing additional copies of our present New Version of the Psalms.

7. Report of the Mission Conference.

8. Report of S. A. S. Metheny, Treasurer of the Jewish Mission Board.

9. Report of J. S. Tibby as to publication of Minutes of 1904.

10. Account of Rev. C. M. Smith, delegate to the Synod of the Christian Reformed Church.

11. The petition of J. R. Cannon of Wyman, Iowa, for refund of taxes paid by him on Greensburg, Pa., church property with interest from June 11th, 1902, the date of his payment.

12. Petition of the Seattle Congregation that Synod direct the Board of Church Erection to cancel the loan made to the congregation in 1895, and to accept in place of the loan and accrued interest a non-interest bearing mortgage for the full amount.

13. Bill for printing 250 copies of the report on Order of Business.

Items were also referred to us from the reports of the Board of Control, of the Board of Church Erection, of Sustentation, of Foreign Missions, of the Central Board of Missions, of the Board of Corporators and of the Board of Trustees of Geneva College; from the letter of the American Secretary of the Alliance of the Reformed Churches; from the report of the Committee on Testimony Bearing, and the Committee on the Revision of the Psalms; from the report of the Illinois Presbytery.

Many of these items relate to the amount of appropriation needed, and have been considered in making out the list of appropriations.

The reports of John T. Morton, Walter T. Miller, J. S. Tibby, R. C. Wylie, S. A. S. Metheny, and Mrs. A. G. Wallace of the Women's Association had been audited before their presentation to the Synod.

Treasurer W. T. Miller submits synopses of the various funds in his charge. Mr. Morton and Mrs. Wallace give summaries.

We recommend that these synopses and summaries be published, and that the reports of the other treasurers be published in full, and that the reports of Synod's Board of Trustees and of the Women's Association be published in the Appendix to the Minutes of Synod.

We further recommend:

1. That the Treasurer of the Literary Fund be authorized to publish additional copies of our present New Version of the Psalms, as the demand in his judgment may require.

2. That the appropriations of the Mission Conference be approved, and that pastors and sessions be urged to bring before their congregations the needs of the Domestic Mission Fund.

3. That the petition of J. R. Cannon be referred to the Board of Trustees with a repetition of the instructions of last Synod as to the respective interests of the Church and of the Cannon heirs.

4. That the Clerk of Synod be directed to publish a thousand copies of the Minutes of this year, drawing on the Literary Fund for the expense, the custody and sale of the Minutes being left to the Treasurer of that Fund.

5. That the Treasurer of the Literary Fund be instructed to pay sixty dollars to the Treasurer of the Western Section of the Alliance of Reformed Churches, and five dollars and a half to Rev. C. M. Smith for expenses as delegate to the Christian Reformed Synod, and one dollar and a half for the printing of the Order of Business, and twenty-five dollars to the Treasurer of the Psalmody Revision Committee for the expenses of the last year.

6. That the $100 from W. S. Elliott, Treasurer of the Middle Wheeling Congregation be appropriated to the Domestic Mission Fund for current expenses.

7. That the bequest of Mrs. Esther Gilmore, amounting to $95.38, be appropriated to the Syrian Mission for current expenses.

8. That the Clerk of Synod convey the thanks of Synod to Mrs. Anna A. Murtland, executrix of the will of her father, Andrew Alexander, for anticipating the first payment under his will to the Funds for Sustentation, Foreign Missions, Southern Mission and Indian Mission, and for paying the amounts without deduction of the State tax.

9. That Synod appropriate the bequests of Miss Jane Kelly to the Southern Mission, the Indian and the Foreign Mission Funds, to the current funds of the missions named, acknowledging the contribution of her sister, Miss Rebecca Kelly, of the amount of the State tax on these bequests, the Clerk of Synod to convey this acknowledgment to Miss Rebecca Kelly.

10. That the Board of Church Erection be directed to cancel the loan made in 1895 to the Seattle Congregation in the way set forth in their petition to Synod and already made known by them to said Board.

11. That Synod commend the joint efforts of the Board of Trustees and of the Board of Trustees of Geneva College to adjust the matter of the loan to the Geneva Company, Limited, and to provide for the payment of the indebtedness thereon to Synod's Board of Trustees.

12. That Synod adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, John T. Morton, after long and efficient service as a member of the Board of Trustees and Treasurer of Synod, is constrained to offer his resignation, owing to disability of body after a paralytic stroke, Synod accepts his resignation to take effect June 1st, 1905, and thanks him for his faithful service, and prays that our Heavenly Father may comfort, sustain and strengthen him.

13. That in view of the statements made in the letter of the Treasurer transmitting his report, which letter is to be published in the Minutes, Synod instructs the Board of Trustees to report at our next meeting their rules governing the making of loans, and what measures have been taken to collect the unpaid obligations reported by the Treasurer.

14. That the Clerk of Synod be authorized and directed to cast the ballot of Synod for A. B. Copeland, Daniel Chesnut and A. C. Coulter, members of the Board of Trustees, as their own successors to serve for three years, ending June 15th, 1908.

15. That Synod approve of the appropriation to Selma Congregation made by the Central Board of Missions at request of Illinois Presbytery this last year.

16. That the Clerk of Synod be authorized and directed to cast the ballot of Synod for James S. Tibby as a member of the Board of Trustees of Synod to fill out the unexpired term of John T. Morton, ending June 15th, 1907.

17. That James S. Tibby be elected Treasurer of Synod in place of John T. Morton, resigned, at an annual salary of fifteen hundred ($1,500) dollars, it being likewise provided that Mr. Tibby furnish a bond of like amount as that of the retiring Treasurer, and that the First National Bank of Pittsburgh be continued as the depository of the funds of the Treasurer, until otherwise ordered by Synod.

18. That the Treasurer of Synod pay to the Secretary of the Board of Trustees, three hundred ($300) dollars as extra compensation for the last year, for his additional labor owing to Mr. Morton's disability, as recommended by the Board of Trustees.

We recommend the following appropriations with the dates for the congregational collections:

Literary Fund, June, second Sabbath	$ 1,000
Library Fund, Geneva College, June, fourth Sabbath	250
Aged People's Home, July, first Sabbath	1,000
Widows' and Orphans' Fund, July, third Sabbath	2,500
Aged Ministers' Fund, August, first Sabbath	1,500
Students' Aid Fund, August, third Sabbath	1,000
Indian Mission Fund, September, first Sabbath	5,000
Domestic Mission Fund, October, first Sabbath	12,000
Jewish Mission Fund, October, third Sabbath	3,300
Southern Mission, November, first Sabbath	5,000
Chinese Home Mission Fund, November, third Sabbath	1,000
Syrian Mission Fund, December, first Sabbath	15,000
National Reform, January, first Sabbath	7,000
Theological Seminary Fund, January, third Sabbath	1,500
Mission in China Fund, February, first Sabbath	6,000
Testimony Bearing Fund, February, third Sabbath	4,000
Sustentation Fund, March, first Sabbath	6,000
Geneva College Fund, March, third Sabbath	2,500
Church Erection Fund, April, first Sabbath	5,000

We also recommend that the Treasurer of Synod send out early notices to pastors and sessions of the above list.

Signed by all the members of the Committee present.

D. B. Willson,
Thos. McFall,
D. C. Mathews,
S. A. S. Metheny,
Of the Committee.

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT BY JOHN T. MORTON, TREASURER OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE SYNOD, BEGINNING MAY 1ST, 1904, AND ENDING MAY 1ST, 1905.

To the Moderator and Members of Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America, to meet in the Reformed Presbyterian Church, New Castle, Pa., May 24th, 1905:

DEAR BRETHREN:—Herewith find my thirteenth annual report as Treasurer of the "Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America" for the year beginning May 1st, 1904, and ending April 30th, 1905, which has been audited by a Committee of said Board, whose certificate is hereto attached.

The Board has declared a dividend of 4¼ per cent. on Endowments of $320,326.97 (as shown on balance sheet) from the cash revenue received and credited to Interest Account during the year amounting to $13,613.89.

The net revenue from the David Gregg Endowment Fund for the year is $8,047.05, and has been credited as instructed by donor.

The decision in the James Fraser Bequest (as made by report to you last year) by the Court of Appeals in New York was against us, and we had to pay out as part of the expenses in said case since our last report to you $3,599.64, as will appear in the present report. This makes $816.97 the amount paid in excess of all receipts in connection with this bequest, which we have charged to Interest Account, as appears in that account. This is one cause of reduction in dividend declared this year. This bequest consisted of two properties, valued some years ago at about $23,000. We had sold the smaller of the properties in 1897 for $9,600. It was then, in the examination of the title, we were informed that we had no title to the property. That, in the State of New York, we were classed as a foreign corporation, and were not recognized in the State of New York; and, as held by the Court since in the trials, the title descended to the heirs at law.

The bequests received since our last report are as follows:

Samuel McCoy Bequest of Middle Wheeling Congregation.....	
June 10th, 1904, cash, per W. S. Elliott, Tr. Middle Wheeling Congregation	$100 00

This was a bequest made to Middle Wheeling Congregation to be used by them, and was so used, until now they are out of existence. It now comes to the Board to be used by the Church for whatever purpose is deemed best.

Miss Jane Kelly Bequest, Wilkinsburg, Pa., per James R. Sterrett, Executor, and Miss Rebecca Kelly, her sister.

Southern Mission	$100 00
Indian Mission	100 00
Foreign Mission	300 00
Total	$500 00

Mrs. Esther Gilmore Bequest, Cherry Hill Township, Indiana Co., Pa., per J. S. Amond, Executor.....		$100 00
Less expenses to and from Indiana, Pa., in securing bequest	$4 62	4 62
		$95 38

It is not specified what this is for.

John Hunter Bequest, Fulton, N. Y., per Mary C. Hunter, Executrix, through Giles S. Piper, Attorney..... $6,000 00
Less collateral inheritance tax..... $300 00
And Notary's fee and Prothonotary certificate..... 1 00
301 00

$5,699 00

To be equally divided between Theological Seminary Endowment and Foreign Mission Endowment.

John A. McKee Endowment Bequest, per H. W. McKee, Executor, balance of bequest to be equally divided between Endowments of Home Mission and Foreign Mission..... $20 52

We were notified of a bequest of Andrew Alexander, Esq., of Second New York Congregation, R. M. Somerville, D.D., Pastor, per Walter T. Miller, Treasurer, who sent us a copy of the will. This will be paid, I have no doubt, in due time. The part of the will referring to the Church reads as follows:

Fifth.—I give and bequeath unto the Board of Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of the United States for Foreign Missions for the Current Account Fund $25,000, and the receipt of the Treasurer of the said Board of Trustees shall be a sufficient discharge of my Executor for the same.

Amount of bequest for Foreign Missions..... $25,000 00
Sixth.—For Southern Mission Current Account Fund the sum of.. 10,000 00
Seventh.—Indian Mission Current Account..... 5,000 00
Eighth.—Sustentation Fund Current Account..... 20,000 00

Total $60,000 00

(With each bequest is also mentioned the sufficiency of the Treasurer's receipt.)

Ninth.—The bequests to said Board of Trustees mentioned in the last four paragraphs hereof I direct to be fully paid within ten years after my decease, and by payments of not less than one-tenth thereof each year.

Twelfth.—I hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my said daughter, Anna Alexander Murtland, sole executrix of this, my last will and testament. Will dated 13th day of July, 1900.

Witnesses:—Henry A. Korlsch, No. 838 Sixth avenue, New York City; William V. Simpson, Manhattan, N. J.

On April 14th Mrs. Anna Alexander Murtland, Executrix, made payment of $2,000, the one-tenth (1/10) of the donation to Sustentation Fund, not due until the 29th of July, 1905, in order that Synod at this meeting might be able to pay out the usual payments from Sustentation Fund for the past year. Mr. Alexander, for several years past, contributed to this fund $1,500 annually under the title Prov. iii: 9.

April 29th.—We have just received one-tenth of the other bequests of Mr. Alexander, viz.:

Foreign Mission $2,500 00
Southern Mission 1,000 00
Indian Mission 500 00

All for Current Funds of these accounts from Mrs. Anna A. Murtland, Executrix, as will appear in statement herewith.

Also bequest from James Carlisle, Philadelphia, Pa.; William Alexander Brown, Esq., and Rev. J. C. McFeeters, Executors..		$4,000 00
Foreign Mission Endowment.....	$2,000 00	
For Aged Ministers Endowment, to be known as the "James and Mary Jane Carlisle Memorial Fund"	500 00	
To be equally divided between Endowments of Domestic, Freedmen's and Indian Missions.....	1,500 00	
Total		$4,000 00

Geneva Company, Limited, borrowed $4,000 on April 25th, 1888. There has been paid on this $308.63 interest. The last payment was $236.63, paid May 13th, 1891. And nothing has been paid on interest or principal since.

Another loan was made to an individual on his note of $500 January 23d, 1892, at four months to bear 6 per cent. interest. On this neither interest nor principal has been paid.

Another loan on collateral note was made on March 13th, 1891, on which there is a balance due of $1,608.26. On this the following interest is due and not paid.

September 13th, 1903.....	$48 25
March 13th, 1904.....	48 25
September 13th, 1904.....	48 25
March 13th, 1905.....	48 25
Total	$193 00

Another collateral note was taken September 13th, 1890, for $2,500 from same party. There is interest due on it as follows:

September 30th, 1903.....	$75 00
March 30th, 1904.....	75 00
September 30th, 1904.....	75 00
March 30th, 1905.....	75 00
Total	$300 00

There is due on a mortgage of $1,400, dated April 21st, 1893, $42.00 interest.

There is also a balance due, April 27th, 1905, $150 interest on mortgage of $5,000.

The interest will be paid on the latter two, we suppose in a short time, but not having been paid at the time they are due, we could not include it in the dividend this year.

We have some unimproved real estate that was taken on a mortgage foreclosure over two years ago to the amount of $35,437.10. No revenue has been received from this property, and, consequently, the dividends have been decreasing for several years.

Another mortgage of $4,000, dated June 18th, 1900, on which no interest nor principal has been paid. It has been contested by the mortgagor through the lower and Supreme Courts of Pennsylvania, but the foreclosure proceedings have not been completed.

A few other mortgages we have had to foreclose in the last year, and of course, we have received no interest on them. On these latter the foreclosure proceedings have not been completed.

On July 21st, 1904, I had another attack of paralysis, and was unable to be at the office until November 1st, 1904. Since that time I have only been able to come to the office sometimes once, and others twice each week. (My assistant has done the work in the office since.) I therefore now resign as a member of the Board of Trustees, and as Treasurer of the Trustees of the

Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America, to take effect on June 1st, 1905.

I have returned my salary from Aug. 1st, 1904, to June 1st, 1905...		$1,333 34
Less amount I paid my assistant from Aug. 1st, 1904, to June 1st, 1905.....	$575 00	
		575 00
Net amount returned		$758 34

My bond of the Equitable Trust Company for $10,000 to the Board of Trustees, etc., will expire June 15th, 1905.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN T. MORTON, *Treasurer.*

Pittsburgh, Pa., May 1st, 1905.

Geneva College Endowment.

1904.		
May 1.	Balance	$133,775 28
	Receipts solicited by Rev. W. P. Johnston, D. D.	
May 18.	Cash, Mrs. Coverdale, Beaver Falls, Pa.....	25 00
May 18.	Cash, Rev. W. P. Johnston, D. D., on acct. note, dated 9-1-1903	25 00
May 24.	Cash, J. M. Alter, Parnassus, Pa., on acct. note for $300.00, dated 9-17-1903.....	100 00
June 27.	Cash, D. G. Williamson, Staunton, Ill., on acct. note for $100.00, dated 6-6-1904.....	25 00
June 27.	Cash, J. C. & Lena Crowe Renfrew, Renfrew, Pa., on acct. note for $1,000.00, dated 3-21-1904.....	100 00
July 12.	Cash, Mrs. Jane Patterson, Staunton, Ill., on acct. note for $1,000.00, dated 6-8-1904.....	200 00
Aug. 27.	Cash, R. P. & Ninna MacClement, Clathe, Kan., in full for note, dated 10-19-1903.....	1,000 00
Sept. 6.	Cash, T. J. & Jas. M. Blackwood, New Castle, Pa., on acct. note, dated 3-1-1904.....	37 00
Sept. 15.	Cash, Mrs. M. M. Gregg, Allegheny, Pa.....	100 00
Sept. 19.	Cash, Rev. W. P. Johnston, D. D., on acct. note, dated 9-1-1903.....	25 00
Oct. 7.	Cash, Prof. R. J. McIsaac, Beaver Falls, Pa., on acct. note for $100.00, dated 9-19-1903.....	10 00
Oct. 11.	Cash, Mrs. Rebecca M. Reid, Beaver Falls, Pa., on acct. note for $1,000.00, dated 4-28-1904.....	100 00
Oct. 11.	Cash, Rev. W. P. Johnston, D. D., on acct. note, dated 9-1-1903.....	25 00
Oct. 24.	Cash, Mrs. M. M. Gregg, Allegheny, Pa.....	400 00
Oct. 24.	Cash, J. S. Blanchard, Ia., note in full, dated 1-1-1904.	100 00
Dec. 3.	Cash, Mrs. Helena Johnson Hawthorne, Hopkinton, Ia., on acct. note for $1,000.00, dated 11-12-1904	100 00
Dec. 7.	Cash, T. J. & Jas. M. Blackwood, New Castle, Pa., on acct. note, dated 3-1-1904.....	46 50
Dec. 30.	Cash, Rev. W. P. Johnston, D. D., on acct. note, dated 9-1-1903	25 00
1905.		
Jan. 20.	Cash, Mrs. Helena Johnson Hawthorne, Hopkinton, Ia., on acct. note, dated 11-12-1904.....	250 00
Feb. 21.	Cash, R. J. Bole, Beaver Falls, Pa., on acct. note for $100, dated 2-15-1905.....	25 00

Feb. 21.	Cash, Wm. F. Euwer, Jeannette, Pa. (Second payment of verbal promise to pay $100 each year for 10 years)		100 00
Mar. 1.	Cash, T. J. & Jas. M. Blackwood, M. D., New Castle, Pa., on acct. note, dated 3-1-1904		20 50
Mar. 18.	Cash, Mrs. Helena Johnson Hawthorne, Hopkinton, Ia., on acct. note, dated 11-12-1904		550 00
Mar. 18.	Cash, J. Renwick Copeland, Parnassus, Pa		100 00
Mar. 28.	Cash, Rev. J. C. Slater, White Cottage, O., note in full, dated 4-12-1904		100 00
April 6.	Cash, Rev. J. B. McIsaac, Pittsburgh, Pa		25 00
1904.			
June 27.	Cash, Paid Rev. W. P. Johnston, D. D., expenses incurred in collecting endowments	$ 27 50	
Dec. 3.	Cash, Paid Rev. W. P. Johnston, D. D., expenses incurred in collecting endowments	65 50	
1905.			
May 1.	Balance	137.296 28	
		$137,389 28	$137,389 28

Theological Seminary Endowment.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$60,929 85
Sept. 7.	Mrs. Mary H. Sloane Bequest		97 50
Sept. 7.	Bequest of John Coulter & Eliza Jane Coulter, his wife		178 84
1905.			
May 1.	Balance	$61,206 19	
		$61,206 19	$61,206 19

Students' Fund Endowment.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$15,877 93
Oct. 26.	Cash, Rev. Walter McCarroll, Larnaca, Cyprus, on acct. his student note for $150, dated 11-12-1896, per W. T. Miller, Tr		50 00
1905.			
May 1.	Balance	$15,927 93	
		$15,927 93	$15,927 93

Foreign Mission Endowment.

1905.		
May 1.	Balance	$43,536 17

Domestic Mission Endowment.

1905.		
May 1.	Balance	$31,101 04

Southern Mission Endowment.

1905.
May 1. Balance $4,556 28

Chinese Home Mission Endowment.

1905.
May 1. Balance $100 00

Indian Mission Endowment.

1905.
May 1. Balance $1,500 00

Aged Ministers' Endowment.

1905.
May 1. Balance $12,740 56

Fund for Widows and Children of Deceased Ministers' Endowment.

1905.
May 1. Balance $5,691 06

Church Extension Endowment.

1905.
May 1. Balance $3,400 00

James R. McKee Memorial Endowment.

(For Widows and Children of Deceased Ministers.)

1905.
May 1. Balance $2,000 00

James R. McKee Memorial Endowment.

(For Foreign Mission.)

1905.
May 1. Balance $1,000 00

Mrs. Agnes McInroy Endowment.

1905.
May 1. Balance $3,000 00

Mrs. Mary Ann Henry Bequest Endowment.

1905.
May 1. Balance $2,868 80

Iowa Presbytery Endowment.

1905.		
May 1.	Balance	$700 00

Wilkinsburg Congregation Endowment.

1905.		
May 1.	Balance	$500 00

Bible Society Endowment.

1905.		
May 1.	Balance	$50 00

David Gregg Bequest Endowment.

1905.		
May 1.	Balance	$157,015 73

David Gregg Endowment Bequest Mortgage Account.

1904.				
May 1.	Balance		$154,700 00	
1905.				
April 26.	Foreign Mission, 5 shares	$2,682 35		
	Domestic Mission, 3 shares	1,609 41		
	Sustentation Fund, 1 share	536 47		
	Church Erection, 1 share	536 47		
	Theological Seminary, 1 share	536 47		
	Southern Mission, 1 share	536 47		
	Chinese Mission, 1 share	536 47		
	Ministerial Widows' and Orphans' Fund, 1 share	536 47		
	Central R. P. Church, Allegheny, 1 share	536 47	8,047 05	
April 30.	Cash, Loans on bonds and mortgages during year		13,150 00	
April 26.	D. Gregg Endowment Bequest Interest Acct.			$8,047 05
April 30.	Cash, Received for loans (Bonds and Mortgages)			11,100 00
May 1.	Balance			156,750 00
			$175,897 05	$175,897 05

David Gregg Endowment Bequest Interest Account.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$45 00
1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Interest received during year		8,425 60
April 26.	Interest Acct. Charge per order Board.	$423 55	
April 26.	D. Gregg Endowment Mortgage Acct.	8,047 05	
		$8,470 60	$8,470 60

Mortgage Account.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance	$277.713 78	
1905.			
April 30.	Paid for loans during year	36.460 58	
April 30.	Received on loans during year and mortgages foreclosed		$49.129 73
May 1.	Balance		265.044 63
		$314.174 36	$314.174 36

Greensburg Church Property.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance	$195 00	
May 12.	Paid Rev. A. Kilpatrick, expenses to Greensburg	5 00	
1905.			
May 1.	Balance		$200 00
		$200 00	$200 00

Robert Aiken Property Account.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance	$483 44	
Oct. 20.	Paid notary for acknowledging deed to E. Jetter and wife	50	
Oct. 20.	Interest Acct. Average interest to 10-11-1904	11 73	
Sept. 15.	On acct. sale of property lots Nos. 42, 43 and 44 $325 00		
	Less agent's commission 37 50		
			$287 50
Oct. 11.	Balance of purchase money		425 00
1905.			
Mar. 4.	Paid Attorney for making deed	3 00	
April 30.	Contingent Acct	213 83	
		$712 50	$712 50

St. Johnsbury, Vt., R. P. Church Property Account.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance	$8.041 32	
1905.			
April 30.	Cash, paid water rent, repairs, etc	60 44	
April 30.	Interest Acct. Average Interest. $484 54		
	Less interest on rent acct 274 54		
		210 00	
1905.			
May 1.	Balance		$8.311 76
		$8.311 76	$8.311 76

St. Johnsbury, Vt., R. P. Church Property Rent Account.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$4.380 57
1905.			
April 30.	Cash, rents received during year		386 00
May 1.	Balance	$4.766 57	
		$4.766 57	$4.766 57

Real Estate.

(Linden Ave., Allegheny, Pa.)

1905.			
May 1.	Balance		$1,128 67

Real Estate.

(10th and 12th Wards, Allegheny, Pa.)

1904.			
May 1.	Balance	$34,839 12	
1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Assessment for sewer	100 00	
	County taxes, 1904	58 82	
	City taxes, 1905	439 16	
May 1.	Balance		$35,437 10
		$35,437 10	$35,437 10

Real Estate.

(Grant Ave., Allegheny, Pa.)

1904.			
May 1.	Balance, Net income to date		$522 18
May 1.	Balance, Net cost of property	$18,759 16	
1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Water tax on 6 houses for 1904.	108 50	
	County taxes for 1904	38 31	
	City taxes for 1905	358 67	
	Repairs	168 44	
	Insurance	70 00	
1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Rent received		1,744 20
May 1.	Balance, Net income to date	1,522 46	
May 1.	Balance, Net cost of property		18,759 16
		$21,025 54	$21,025 54

Real Estate.

(Number 4, Susquehanna St., Pittsburgh, Pa.)

1904.			
May 1.	Balance	$2,409 86	
1905.			
April 30.	Cash, County taxes, 1904	3 56	
	City taxes, 1905	26 45	
	Water rent	11 75	
	Insurance	22 00	
	Repairs	19 64	
	Interest Acct. Net revenue, 1 year to 5-1-1905	156 00	
1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Rent received		$239 40
May 1.	Balance		2,409 86
		$2,649 26	$2,649 26

Real Estate.

(Lyric St., Pittsburgh, Pa.)

1904.			
May 1.	Balance	$4,703 91	
1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Water rent, 1904	11 00	
	County taxes, 1904	8 21	
	City taxes, 1905	53 67	
	Interest Acct. Net revenue, 1 year to 5-1-1905	297 62	
1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Rent received		$370 50
May 1.	Balance		4,703 91
		$5,074 41	$5,074 41

Real Estate.

(6718 Simen Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.)

1904.			
May 1.	Balance, Net income		$39 41
May 1.	Balance, Net cost of property	$4,398 79	
1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Water rent, 1904	17 00	
	County taxes, 1904	7 64	
	City taxes, 1905	50 31	
	Repairs	41 64	
	Interest Acct. Net revenue to 5-1-1905.	342 82	
1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Rent received		420 00
May 1.	Balance		4,398 79
		$4,858 20	$4,858 20

Real Estate.

(6720 Simen Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.)

1904.			
May 1.	Balance	$4,414 64	
1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Water rent, 1904	17 00	
	County taxes, 1904	7 64	
	City taxes, 1905	50 31	
	Repairs	44 05	
	Interest Acct. Net revenue, 1 year to 5-1-1905	336 00	
1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Rent received		$455 00
May 1.	Balance		4,414 64
		$4,869 64	$4,869 64

Real Estate.

(18 Niagara St., Pittsburgh, Pa.)

1904.			
June 20.	Amount of mortgage foreclosed $6,000 00		
	Accumulated interest to date. 360 00	$6,360 00	
June 20.	Sheriff's costs, etc., in foreclosing.....	212 92	
1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Insurance, 5 years.....	47 25	
	City taxes, 1905.....	92 16	
	Repairs	134 04	
1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Rent received.....		$210 00
May 1.	Balance		6,636 37
		$6,846 37	$6,846 37

Real Estate.

(339 Gross St., Pittsburgh, Pa.)

1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Repairs	$22 50	
	Delinquent County taxes, 1902..	5 88	
1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Rent received.....		$30 00
May 1.	Balance	1 62	
		$30 00	$30 00

(Above mortgage is in process of foreclosure.)

Real Estate.

(341 Gross St., Pittsburgh, Pa.)

1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Repairs	$22 50	
	Delinquent County taxes, 1902..	5 88	
1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Rent received on acct.....		$10 00
May 1.	Balance		18 38
		$28 38	$28 38

(Above mortgage is in process of foreclosure.)

Real Estate.

(Jeannette, Pa.)

1904.			
Sept. 29.	Amount of mortgage, interest, etc.....	$2,041 73	
Sept. 29.	Sheriff's costs, etc., in foreclosure.....	162 95	
1905.			
April 30.	Cash, County, School and Borough taxes, 1904.....	56 75	
	Repairs	21 40	
	Interest Acct. Net revenue to 5-1-1905.	88 10	
1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Rent.....		$166 25
May 1.	Balance		2,204 68
		$2,370 93	$2,370 93

Estate of Joseph McNaugher, Deceased.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance	$170 87	
1905.			
May 1.	Balance		$170 87

Walter T. Miller, Treasurer, Account.

1904.			
Sept. 7.	James W. Thursby Bequest for Foreign Mission		$15 06
Sept. 7.	Bequest of John Coulter and Eliza Jane Coulter, his wife, for Foreign Mission		178 83
1905.			
April 13.	Donation in memory of Mrs. I. S. Martin, for Chinese Foreign Mission		55 33
April 13.	Mrs. Rebecca Jane Burneson Bequest, for Mission in Syria		5 00
April 13.	Mrs. Rebecca Jane Burneson Bequest, for Mission in Latakia		5 00
April 26.	Foreign Mission Interest Acct. $2,682 35		
April 26.	Church Erection Interest Acct. 536 47		
			3,218 82
April 30.	Foreign Mission Interest Acct. 1,850 29		
April 30.	Church Exension or Erection Interest Acct. 144 50		
April 30.	J. R. McKee Memorial Interest Acct. 42 50		
			2,037 29
April 30.	Andrew Alexander Bequest for foreign Mission		2,500 00
1904.			
Sept. 8.	Cash, Remitted	$193 89	
1905.			
April 13.	Cash, Remitted	65 33	
April 26.	Cash, Remitted	3,218 82	
April 29.	Cash, Remitted	2,037 29	
April 29.	Cash, Remitted	2,500 00	
		$8,015 33	$8,015 33

Iowa Presbytery Interest Account.

1905.			
April 30.	Dividend		$29 75
April 29.	Cash, Remitted	$29 75	

Wilkinsburg Congregation Interest Account.

1905.			
April 30.	Dividend		$21 25
April 29.	Cash, Remitted	$21 25	

Mrs. Agnes McInroy Interest Account.

1905.			
April 20.	Interest to May 1, 1905		$120 00
April 20.	Cash, Remitted	$120 00	

Foreign Mission Interest Account.

1905.			
April 26.	D. Gregg Endowment Bequest Mortgage Acct., 5 shares		$2,682 35
April 30.	Dividend, 4.25% on Endowment of $43,536.17		1,850 29
April 26.	Walter T. Miller, Tr. Acct	$2,682 35	
April 30.	Walter T. Miller, Tr. Acct	1,850 29	
		$4,532 64	$4,532 64

Church Extension or Erection Interest Account.

1905.			
April 26.	D, Gregg Endowment Bequest Mortgage Acct., 1 share		$536 47
April 30.	Dividend, 4.25% on Endowment for $3,400.00		144 50
April 26.	Walter T. Miller, Tr. Acct	$536 47	
April 30.	Walter T. Miller, Tr. Acct	144 50	
		$680 97	$680 97

Bible Society Interest Account.

1905.			
April 30.	Dividend		$2 12
April 29.	Cash, Remitted America Bible Society.	$2 12	

Central Reformed Presbyterian Church, Allegheny.

1905.			
April 26.	D. Gregg Endowment Bequest Mortgage Acct., 1 share		$536 47
April 26.	Cash, Remitted	$536 47	

James R. McKee Memorial Interest Account.

1905.			
April 30.	Dividend		$42 50
April 30.	Dividend		85 00
April 30.	W. T. Miller, Tr. Acct. for Foreign Mission Current Acct	$42 50	
April 30.	Fund for Widows and Children of Deceased Ministers Current Acct	85 00	
		$127 50	$127 50

Thomas Christison Donation Interest Account.

1905.			
Mar. 29.	Interest Acct. 1 yr. interest to 3-30-1905		$5 00
Mar. 29.	Cash, Remitted	$5 00	

Donation Account—Interest Account.

(Name not to be used.)

1905.			
April 30.	Interest Account		$33 35
April 30.	Cash, Remitted	$33 35	

Donation Account—Interest Account.

(Name not to be used.)

1905.			
April 30.	Interest Account		$94 00
April 30.	Cash, Remitted	$94 00	

Rev. Robert Shields Bequest Interest Account.

1904.			
June 27.	Interest Account, 1 year's interest to 6-29-1904		$24 00
June 27.	Cash, Remitted Mrs. Elizabeth Shields.	$24 00	

Brooklyn Congregation Interest Account.

1905.			
April 30.	Dividend on Mrs. Mary Ann Henry Bequest Endowment		$121 92
April 29.	Cash, Remitted	$121 92	

Real Estate Donation.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance	$895 52	
May 6.	Cash, City and sprinkling taxes, 1904...	45 71	
Oct. 13.	Cash, Expenses in connection with sale of property	43 85	
Oct. 13.	Cash, Premium on insurance policy returned		$7 97
Oct. 13.	Cash, On account purchase money		400 00
Dec. 22.	Bond and Mortgage Real Estate Donation for unpaid balance of purchase money		2,100 00
1905.			
May 1.	Balance	1,522 89	
		$2,507 97	$2,507 97

Bond and Mortgage Real Estate Donation.

1904.			
Dec. 22.	Real Estate Donation—Bond and mortgage given for unpaid balance of purchase money on property sold	$2,100 00	
1905.			
April 30.	Life interest in Real Estate Donation...	63 00	
April 4.	Cash, 6 months interest to 4-1-1905		$63 00
April 4.	Cash, On account of mortgage		100 00
May 1.	Balance		2,000 00
		$2,163 00	$2,163 00

Real Estate Donation Rent Account.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance overdrawn	$46 02	
Oct. 13.	Cash, Rent		102 92
Oct. 13.	Cash, Bills	36 57	
1905.			
Jan. 3.	Cash, Remitted	20 33	
		$102 92	$102 92

Life Interest in Real Estate Donation.

1905.			
April 30.	Interest Account. Average interest to 5-1-1905		$9 16
April 30.	Bond & Mortgage Real Estate Donation.		63 00
May 1.	Balance	$72 16	
		$72 16	$72 16

Cash Donation.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$2,474 73
1905.			
May 1.	Balance	$2,474 73	

Cash Donation Interest Account.

1905.			
April 30.	Interest Account		$125 00
April 30.	Cash, Remitted	$125 00	

Mrs. Rebecca Brown, Donation No. 2, Philadelphia, Pa.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$1,840 00
1905.			
May 1.	Balance	$1,840 00	

Life Insurance Policy.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance	$1,840 00	
1905.			
May 1.	Balance		$1,840 00

Donation in Memory of Mrs. Isabella Stewart Martin.

(For Chinese Foreign Mission.)

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$55 33
1905.			
April 13.	Walter T. Miller, Tr. Account	$55 33	

Thomas Christison Donation, Guthrie, Wis.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$100 00
1905.			
May 1.	Balance	$100 00	

Real Estate Donation.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance	$25 00	
1905.			
May 1.	Balance		$25 00

Donation Account.

(Name not to be given.)

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$900 00
May 5.	Cash, Returned to donor	$100 00	
1905.			
May 1.	Balance	800 00	
		$900 00	$900 00

Donation Account.

(Name not to be given.)

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$2,100 00
1905.			
May 1.	Balance	$2,100 00	

Real Estate Donation.

(Name not to be given.)

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$1 00
1905.			
May 1.	Balance	$1 00	

Real Estate Account.

(Name not to be given.)

1904.			
May 1.	Balance	$1 00	
1905.			
May 1.	Balance		$1 00

Rev. Robert Shields Bequest, Almonte, Ont., Canada.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$600 00
1905.			
May 1.	Balance	$600 00	

Estate of John Gibson, Deceased, New Concord, Ohio.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance	$132 00	
June 9.	Cash, Paid Attorney's fee in settling estate	15 00	
Nov. 1.	Cash, Paid Farmer's Deposit Nat. Bank for use of safe in vault one year to 11-1-1905	5 00	
1905.			
May 1.	Balance		$152 00
		$152 00	$152 00

Bequest of John Coulter and Eliza Jane Coulter, his wife.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$536 50
Sept. 7.	Walter T. Miller, Tr. Acct. for Foreign Mission	$178 83	
Sept. 7.	Domestic Mission Current Acct.	178 83	
Sept. 7.	Theological Seminary Endowment Acct.	178 84	
		$536 50	$536 50

Mrs Rebecca Jane Burneson Bequest.

(Late of Moon Township, Beaver Co., Pa.)

1905.			
Mar. 30.	Cash, 5th and last installment of bequest		$35 00
April 13.	W. T. Miller, Tr. Acct. for Mission in Syria	$5 00	
April 13.	W. T. Miller, Tr. Acct. for Mission in Latakia	5 00	
April 13.	Indian Mission Current Acct.	5 00	
April 13.	Theological Seminary Current Acct.	10 00	
April 13.	Geneva College Current Acct.	10 00	
		$35 00	$35 00

Mrs. Sarah McLane Bequest.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$11 00
Sept. 7.	Southern Mission Current Acct.	$11 00	

Jane Allsworth Bequest.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance	$55 57	
June 29.	Cash, Notary fee	37	
1905.			
May 1.	Balance		$55 94
		$55 94	$55 94

Mrs. Mary H. Sloane Bequest, Syracuse, N. Y.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$97 50
Sept. 7.	Theological Seminary Endowment Acct.	$97 50	

Catharine J. Gamble Bequest.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$20 00
Sept. 7.	Southern Mission Current Acct	$10 00	
Sept. 7.	Indian Mission Current Acct	$10 00	
		$20 00	$20 00

James W. Thursby Bequest, South Side, Pittsburgh, Allegheny Congregation.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$30 12
Sept. 7.	Indian Mission Current Acct	$15 06	
Sept. 7.	W. T. Miller, Tr. Acct. for Foreign Mission	15 06	
		$30 12	$30 12

James Fraser Bequest, New York, N. Y.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$2,703 04
June 28.	Cash, Rent		79 63
June 8.	Cash, Paid in settlement of the claim and expenses in two suits	$2,767 84	
June 16.	Cash, Paid fee of A. C. Brown, Attorney, in New York	528 20	
June 17.	Cash, Paid fee of Schoyer & Hunter, Attorneys, in Pittsburgh	300 00	
Oct. 19.	Cash, Paid Notary's fee and Prothonotary's certificate in cancellation of mortgage	3 60	
1905.			
April 26.	Interest Acct		816 97
		$3,599 64	$3,599 64

Samuel McCoy Bequest.

1904.			
June 10.	Cash, Per W. S. Elliott, Tr. of Middle Wheeling Cong.		$100 00
1905.			
May 1.	Balance	$100 00	

Miss Jane Kelly Bequest, Wilkinsburg, Pa.

1904.			
Nov. 25.	Cash, Per Jas. R. Sterritt, Exr. and Miss Rebecca Kelly for Southern Mission	$100 00	
	For Indian Mission	100 00	
	For Foreign Mission	300 00	
			$500 00
1905.			
May 1.	Balance	$500 00	

Mrs. Esther Gilmore Bequest, Cherry Hill Township, Indiana County, Pa.

1904.			
Nov. 16.	Cash, Per J. S. Amond, Exr. for the Synod of the R. P. Church of N. A..		$100 00
Nov. 15.	Cash, Expenses to Indiana, Pa., in securing bequest	$4 62	
1905.			
May 1.	Balance	95 38	
		$100 00	$100 00

John Hunter Bequest, Fulton, N. Y.

1904.			
Dec. 31.	Cash, Paid Notary fee and Prothonotary's certificate	$1 00	
1905.			
Jan. 26.	Cash, Per Mrs. Mary C. Hunter, Exr. (Giles S. Piper, Attorney), bequest of $6,000 00		
	Less collateral inheritance tax 300 00		
	For Theological Seminary Endowment and Foreign Mission Endowment, to be equally divided		$5,700 00
May 1.	Balance	5,699 00	
		$5,700 00	$5,700 00

John A. McKee Endowment Bequest, Pittsburgh, Pa.

1905.			
Feb. 17.	Cash, Per H. W. McKee, Exr., additional for Home and Foreign Mission Endowment		$20 52
May 1.	Balance	$20 52	

Andrew Alexander Bequest, New York, N. Y., for Sustentation Fund.

1905.			
April 14.	Cash, Per Mrs. Anna A. Murtland, Exr., first payment of 1/10 of bequest for Sustentation Fund Current Acct..		$2,000 00
May 1.	Balance	$2,000 00	

Andrew Alexander Bequest, New York, N. Y., for Foreign Mission.

1905.			
April 29.	Cash, Per Mrs. Anna A. Murtland, Exr., first payment of 1/10 of bequest for Foreign Mission Current Acct.		$2,500 00
April 30.	Walter T. Miller, Tr. Acct	$2,500 00	

Andrew Alexander Bequest, New York, N. Y., for Southern Mission.

1905.			
April 29.	Cash, Per Mrs. Anna Murtland, Exr., first payment of 1/10 of bequest for Southern Mission Current Acct.....		$1,000 00
May 1.	Balance	$1,000 00	

Andrew Alexander Bequest, New York, N. Y., for Indian Mission.

1905.			
April 29.	Cash, Per Mrs. Anna A. Murtland, Exr., first payment of 1/10 of bequest for Indian Mission Current Acct.....		$500 00
May 1.	Balance	$500 00	

James Carlisle Bequest, Philadelphia, Pa.

1905.			
April 29.	Cash, Per W. A. Brown, Att'y, and Rev. J. C. McFeeters, Exrs., for Foreign Mission Endowment (in Syria and Asia Minor)	$2,000 00	
	Aged Ministers Endowment, to be known as the James and Mary Jane Carlisle Memorial Fund	500 00	
	To be equally divided between endowments of Domestic, Freedmen's and Indian Missions..	1,500 00	
			$4,000 00
May 1.	Balance	$4,000 00	

Fund to Procure Home for Family of Rev. Chas. Clyde, Deceased.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$1,257 16
1905.			
April 30.	Interest Acct. Average interest one year, to 5-1-1905.....		49 21
1904.			
July 19.	Cash, Taxes 1904	$26 80	
Oct. 20.	Cash, Notary's fee in acknowledging deed to Mrs. Clyde.....	50	
1905.			
Mar. 4.	Cash, Attorney's fee for making deed...	5 00	
May 1.	Balance	1,274 07	
		$1,306 37	$1,306 37

South Carolina Cemetery Lot Repairs, near Chester, S. C.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$12 25
1905.			
May 1.	Balance	$12 25	

Subscription for Publishing Christian Conference Report.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$18 92
1905.			
April 26.	Testimony Bearing Current Acct	$18 92	

Southfield Church Account.

1905.			
Mar. 4.	Cash, Paid Attorney for writing deed for Southfield Congregation	$2 00	
May 1.	Balance		$2 00

W. P. M. S. of Pittsburgh Presbytery.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$200 00
Nov. 4.	Interest Account		10 00
1904.			
Nov. 4.	Cash, Remitted Mrs. S. R. Wills, Tr.	$10 00	
1905.			
May 1.	Balance	200 00	
		$210 00	$210 00

Office Furniture Account.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance	$423 51	
1905.			
May 1.	Balance		$423 51

Expense Account.

1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Rent of office to 5-1-1905	$737 08	
	Telephone	55 00	
	Hawes and Gangwisch, typewriting Secretary's report to Synod	3 60	
	Church scheme circulars and postage, etc., on same	18 69	
	Equitable Trust Co., for bond of Treasurer 1 year to 6-15-1905	50 00	
	2 copies of Minutes of Synod	60	
	Copy of will of A. Alexander	60	
	Christian Nation, 1 year	1 50	
	P. O. Cards, etc., for Secretary	8 70	
	Attorney's charge for draft of resolution for Salem Cong.	1 00	
	Letterheads for Secretary	8 90	
	P. O. Stamps	44 00	
	Stationery	47 83	
	Car fare	11 00	
	John T. Morton, Tr., salary 1 year to 5-1-1905	$1,600 00	
	Salary for May, 1905	133 33	
		$1,733 33	

	Less salary from Aug. 1, 1904, to June 1, 1905 .....$1,333 34		
	Less am't paid Miss Long from Aug. 1, 1904, to June 1, 1905. 575 00		
	Net amount returned..... 758 34		
		974 99	
	D. Chesnut, Sec., salary 1 year to 5-1-1905	500 00	
April 30.	Cash, Received from First Nat. Bank, amount paid for check book.....		16 50
	Geneva College Current Acct.....		244 70
	Theological Seminary Current Acct...		183 52
	Domestic Mission Current Acct.....		183 52
	Southern Mission Current Acct.....		122 35
	Interest Acct.		1,712 90
		$2,463 49	$2,463 49

Interest Account.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$325 29
1905.			
April 26.	D. Gregg Endowment Bequest Interest Acct.		423 55
April 30.	Robert Aiken Property Acct., average interest		11 73
April 30.	Sundries: Pittsburgh Pres.....		6 16
April 30.	Real Estate (4 Susquehanna St., Pittsburgh, Pa.)		156 00
April 30.	St. Johnsbury Church Property Acct.		210 00
April 30.	Real Estate (Lyric St., Pittsburgh, Pa.)		297 62
April 30.	Real Estate (6718 Simen Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.)		342 82
April 30.	Real Estate (6720 Simen Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.)		336 00
April 30.	Real Estate (Jeannette, Pa.).....		88 10
April 30.	Geneva College Current Acct.....		157 03
April 30.	Cash, Interest on mortgages, etc., for year		14,434 08
1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Paid Rev. Robert Shields Bequest Interect Acct.....	$24 00	
April 30.	Cash, Paid Cash Donation Interest Acct.	125 00	
April 30.	Cash, Paid Sundry Cash Donation Interest Accts.	127 35	
April 30.	Cash, Paid W. P. M. S. of Pittsburgh Pres.	10 00	
April 30.	Cash, Paid Thos. Christison Donation Interest Acct.	5 00	
April 30.	Cash, Paid Mrs. Agnes McInroy Interest Acct.	120 00	
April 30.	James Fraser Bequest.....	816 97	
April 30.	Sundries: Pittsburgh Pres.....	123 24	
April 30.	Fund to Procure Home for Family Rev. Chas. Clyde, dec'd.....	49 21	

April 30.	Life Interest in Real Estate Donation.	9 16	
April 30.	Expense Acct.	1,712 90	
April 30.	Dividend: 4.25% on Endowments of $320,326.97	13,613 89	
May 1.	Balance	51 66	
		$16,788 38	$16,788 38

Contingent Account.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$409 05
1905.			
April 30.	Robert Aiken Property Acct.		213 83
1905.			
May 1.	Balance	$622 88	
		$622 88	$622 88

Cash Account.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance	$5,758 55	
1905.			
April 30.	Receipts	125,815 70	
1905.			
April 30.	Expenditures		$120,700 51
May 1.	Balance		10,873 74
		$131,574 25	$131,574 25

Domestic Mission Current Account.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$463 43

Receipts.

1905.			
April 30.	Cash, 99 Congregations	$2,024 28	
	12 Sabbath-schools	264 22	
	5 L. M. S.	74 25	
	2 Y. P.'s Societies	10 00	
	39 Individuals	651 94	
	2 W. P. M. S.	29 75	
			3,054 44
	Ohio Pres. returned amount sent April 21, 1904, for Middle Wheeling Cong.		12 50
	Bequest of John Coulter and Eliza Jane, his wife		178 83
	D. Gregg Endowment Bequest Mortgage Acct., 3 shares		1,609 41
	Dividend: 4.25% on Endowment of $31,101.04		1,321 80

Expenditures.

1905.		
April 30.	Cash, Balance of appropriations by Synod 1903 in full to 7-1-1904, viz.:	

	Pittsburgh Pres., John T. Morton, Tr.	$262 50	
	Colorado Pres., E. B. Lemmon, Tr.	207 68	
	Illinois Pres., Rev. D. S. Faris, Tr.	193 75	
	Iowa Pres., G. Cunningham, Tr.	237 50	
	Kansas Pres., R. M. Atchison, Tr.	500 00	
	N. B. and N. S. Pres., Rev. Thos. McFall, Tr.	135 00	
	New York Pres., Rev. S. McNaugher, Tr.	35 00	
	Ohio Pres., Rev. A. A. Samson, Tr.	75 00	
	Rochester Pres., John Hunter, Jr., Tr.	15 36	
	Lakes Pres., Rev. R. Hargrave, Tr.	162 50	
	Cash, Lakes Pres., Rev. R. Hargrave, Tr., appro. by Synod for Cedarville Cong. in full to 7-1-1904	200 00	
	Cash, Illinois Pres., Rev. D. S. Faris, Tr., per order Central Board for Rev. M. M. Pearce, of St. Louis Cong.	100 00	
	Cash, Colorado Pres., E. B. Lemmon, Tr., for Los Angeles Cong. for June, 1904, per order Central Board of Missions	62 50	
	Cash, On acct. appropriations by Synod 1904 in full to 4-1-1905, viz.:		
	Colorado Pres., E. B. Lemmon, Tr.	1,121 25	
	Illinois Pres., Rev. D. S. Faris, Tr.	1,125 00	
	Iowa Pres., G. Cunningham, Tr.	765 00	
	Kansas Pres., R. M. Atchison, Tr.	1,415 50	
	N. B. and N. S. Pres., Rev. Thos. McFall, Tr.	456 50	
	New York Pres., Rev. S. McNaugher, Tr.	176 00	
	Ohio Pres., Rev. A. A. Samson, Tr.	125 00	
	Pittsburgh Pres., John T. Morton, Tr.	884 50	
	Rochester Pres., John Hunter, Jr., Tr.	83 64	
	Vermont Pres., Rev. J. C. Taylor, Tr.	62 00	
	Lakes Pres., Rev. R. Hargrave, Tr.	828 83	
April 30.	Expense Acct.	183 52	
May 1.	Balance overdrawn		2,773 12
		$9,413 53	$9,413 53

Indian Mission Current Account.

1904.				
May 1.	Balance			$2,212 04
	Receipts.			
1905.				
April 30.	Cash, 108 Congregations	$1,912 15		
	18 Sabbath-schools	329 06		
	1 S. S. Class	2 00		
	12 L. M. S.	126 05		
	2 Mission Bands	45 50		
	5 Y. P.'s Societies	47 19		
	44 Individuals	489 63		
	1 W. P. M. S.	179 45		
				3,131 03
	Receipts per report of Rev. W. W. Carithers			441 81
	W. P. M. S. of Pittsburgh Pres., balance of salary of Rev. W. W. Carithers, to 2-1-1905	$750 00		
	W. P. M. S. of Pittsburgh Pres., on acct. of salary of Rev. W. W. Carithers, from 2-1-1905	250 00		
				1,000 00
	Salaries for June, 1904, returned, viz.:			
	Miss Mary Willson			25 00
	Miss Mary R. Adams			20 00
	Miss Iva McMillan			25 00
	James W. Thursby Bequest			15 06
	Catharine J. Gamble Bequest			10 00
	Mrs. Rebecca Jane Burneson Bequest (last payment)			5 00
	Dividend: 4.25% on Endowment of $1,500			63 75
	Expenditures.			
1905.				
April 30.	Cash, Rev. W. W. Carithers, salary to 5-1-1905		$700 00	
	Rev. W. W. Carithers, salary of farmer to 5-1-1905		300 00	
	W. S. McAnlis and daughter, salary to 5-1-1905		305 00	
	Miss Mary R. Adams, salary to 5-1-1905		200 00	
	Miss Lilly McKnight, salary to 5-1-1905		315 00	
	Miss Anna Coleman, salary to 5-1-1905		100 00	
	Miss Mary J. McFarland, salary to 5-1-1905		40 00	
	T. G. Graham and wife, salary to 5-1-1905		262 50	

	Samuel Coulter, salary to 5-1-1905	100 00	
	Miss Tillie McIsaac, salary to 5-1-1905	100 00	
	Miss Mary Willson, salary to 7-1-1904	50 00	
	Miss Iva McMillan, salary to 7-1-1904	50 00	
	W. S. McAnlis and daughter, traveling expenses	84 50	
	Miss Mary Willson, traveling expenses	12 45	
	Dr. Ida M. Scott, traveling expenses	54 15	
	Miss Lilly McKnight, traveling expenses	17 90	
	D. Ray Taggart, traveling expenses	17 00	
	Miss Mary J. McFarland, traveling expenses	25 00	
	Miss Lilly McKnight, sundry expenses	60 00	
	J. S. Tibby, catechisms	2 26	
	J. S. Tibby, Psalm selections	3 90	
	Rev. Jas. McCune, preaching	71 67	
	Rev. W. C. Paden, preaching	45 00	
	Rev. W. J. Coleman, assistant at communion	25 00	
	Insurance	95 00	
	Expenditures to May 20, 1904	1,730 73	
	Expenditures to March 13, 1905	1,356 12	
May 1.	Balance	825 51	
		$6,948 69	$6,948 69

Indian Mission Industrial School.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$139 60
1905.			
May 1.	Balance	$139 60	

Indian Mission Building Account.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance	$2 89	
1905.			
May 1.	Balance		$2 89

Mrs. M. A. Slater, as a Memorial to Her Son, Renwick G. Slater, to Start a New Branch of Indian Mission.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$340 01
Oct. 27.	Cash, Paid Rev. W. W. Carithers per order Central Board of Missions	$340 01	

Theological Seminary Current Account.

1905.	*Receipts.*		
April 30.	Cash, 82 Congregations $619 32		
	4 Sabbath-schools 23 74		
	14 Individuals 73 98		
	1 W. P. M. S..... 63		
			$717 67
	Rev. T. P. Stevenson returned part of traveling expenses....		1 00
	Mrs. Rebecca Jane Burneson Bequest (last payment)		10 00
	D. Gregg Endowment Bequest Mortgage Acct., 1 share.....		536 47
	Dividend: 4.25% on Endowment of $60,929.85		2,589 52
1904.			
May 1.	Balance overdrawn	$490 01	
1905.	*Expenditures.*		
April 30.	Cash, Rev. D. B. Willson, D.D., salary to 6-1-1905.....	2,000 00	
	Rev. R. J. George, D.D., salary to 6-1-1905.....	2,000 00	
	Prof. Geo. M. Sleeth, salary to 6-1-1905 (for elocution lessons)	400 00	
	Paid traveling expenses attending meeting of Superintendents, 4-25-1905, viz.:		
	Chas. McElhinney	21 80	
	W. R. Sterrett.....	17 50	
	Rev. T. P. Stevenson, D.D.....	14 00	
	Rev. R. M. Somerville, D.D...	15 50	
	John R. Steele.....	2 25	
	Expense Acct.	183 52	
May 1.	Balance overdrawn		1,289 92
		$5,144 58	$5,144 58

Theological Seminary Library Fund.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$1,149 40
1905.	*Receipts.*		
April 30.	Cash, 57 Congregations $240 44		
	3 Sabbath-schools 6 83		
	6 Individuals 15 75		
			263 02
1905.	*Expenditures.*		
April 30.	Cash, Insurance	$20 80	
	Books, etc.	36 71	
	Geneva College Library Acct. (one-half receipts during year).....	131 51	
May 1.	Balance	1,223 40	
		$1,412 42	$1,412 42

Students' Fund Current Account.

1904. May 1.	Balance		$560 69
	Receipts.		
1905. April 30.	Cash, 70 Congregations $445 73		
	2 Sabbath-schools 11 43		
	10 Individuals 62 50		
			519 66
	Dividend: 4.25% on Endowment of $15,877.93		674 81
	Expenditures.		
1904. Nov. 19.	Cash, Paid per order Synod's Board of Control as follows:		
	Rev. J. A. Black, Sec., for postage and printing.....	$0 70	
	George Nesbit Greer.....	225 00	
	Alva A. Wylie.....	240 00	
	William W. Wilson.....	270 00	
	James Guthrie McElhinney.....	300 00	
	Augustus T. Smith.....	250 00	
	Ernest C. Mitchell.....	240 00	
	William Otis Ferguson.....	100 00	
1905. May 1.	Balance	129 46	
		$1,755 16	$1,755 16

Memorial Building Rent Account.

1904. May 1.	Balance		$4,283 48
1905. April 30.	Cash, Rent received		800 00
	Expenditures.		
1905. April 30.	Cash, One-third amount of natural gas bills for year.....	$34 43	
	Water tax	12 00	
	Renewal insurance policy on plate glass	10 00	
	Allegheny Illuminating Co. bills.	3 30	
	Distilled water	1 40	
	Insurance	104 00	
	Fire escape	255 00	
	City taxes, 1905.....	278 92	
	Repairs	111 01	
May 1.	Balance	4,273 42	
		$5,083 48	$5,083 48

Aged Ministers' Fund Current Account.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$661 76
	Receipts.		
1905.			
April 30.	Cash, 94 Congregations $686 27		
	2 Sabbath-schools 12 27		
	11 Individuals 67 40		
			765 94
	Dividend: 4.25% on Endowment of $12,740 56		541 47
	Expenditures.		
1904.			
Nov. 18.	Cash, Paid per order Synod's Board of Control as follows:		
	Rev. J. M. Armour.....	$200 00	
	Rev. Hugh P. McClurkin.....	400 00	
	Rev. P. H. Wylie.....	250 00	
	Rev. J. C. K. Faris.....	300 00	
	Rev. Jas. R. Baird.....	350 00	
	Rev. J. A. Black, Secretary, for postage and printing.....	50	
1905.			
May 1.	Balance	468 67	
		$1,969 17	$1,969 17

Fund for Widows and Children of Deceased Ministers' Current Account.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$1,083 22
	Receipts.		
1905.			
April 30.	Cash, 86 Congregations $746 80		
	2 Sabbath-schools 16 77		
	11 Individuals 102 50		
			866 07
	D. Gregg Endowment Bequest Mortgage Acct., 1 share.....		536 47
	Dividend: 4.25% on Endowment of $5,691 06		241 87
	Jas. R. McKee Memorial Int. Acct....		85 00

Expenditures.

1904.			
Nov. 18.	Cash, Paid per order Synod's Board of Control as follows:		
	Mrs. Nancy Reid	$200 00	
	Mrs. Margaret Lawson	200 00	
	Mrs. Sarah Isabelle Clyde	300 00	
	Mrs. Martha George	250 00	
	Mrs. Belle Dodds	200 00	
	Mrs. Mary A. Yates	300 00	
	Mrs. Isabella Milroy	200 00	
	Mrs. Susan Love	100 00	
	Mrs. Keziah Elizabeth Smith	100 00	
	Mrs. Mary A. McMillan	150 00	
	Rev. J. A. Black, Sec., for postage and printing	80	
1905.			
May 1.	Balance	811 83	
		$2,812 63	$2,812 63

Southern Mission Current Account.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$2,447 92

Receipts.

1905.			
April 30.	Cash, 107 Congregations	$1,875 74	
	21 Sabbath-school	450 37	
	1 S. S. Class	2 00	
	15 L. M. S.	166 86	
	1 Mission Band	5 50	
	3 Y. P. Societies	46 00	
	38 Individuals	457 81	
	1 W. P. M. S.	51 15	
			3,049 43
	Mrs. Jane F. Law, Deceased, Denison, Kan., per L.		100 00
	Catharine J. Gamble Bequest		10 00
	Mrs. Sarah McLane Bequest		11 00
	D. Gregg Endowment Bequest Mortgage Acct., 1 share		536 47
	Pleasant Grove Mission Property Rent Acct.		30 00
	Knox Academy Current Acct.		361 45
	Superintendent's Home, Selma, Ala., Rent Acct.		100 00
	Dividend: 4.25% on Endowment of $4,556.28		193 64

Expenditures.

1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Rev. James G. Reed, salary to 5-1-1905	$1,000 00	
	J. H. Pickens, salary to 5-1-1905	420 00	
	Miss Margaret McCartney, salary to 6-1-1904	50 00	
	Miss Anabel Stewart, salary to 6-1-1904	40 00	
	Miss Martha Turner, salary to 6-1-1904	40 00	
	Miss Mary Wilson, salary to 5-1-1905	320 00	
	Miss Lizzie Brown, salary to 5-1-1905	355 00	
	Miss Mary E. Fowler, salary to 5-1-1905	320 00	
	Miss Margaret J. Martin, salary to 5-1-1905	280 00	
	Miss Dora L. Robb, salary to 5-1-1905	280 00	
	Miss Margaret Fleming, salary to 5-1-1905	315 00	
	Mrs. G. M. Sims, salary to 5-1-1905	320 00	
	Miss Sophia P. Kingston, salary to 5-1-1905	280 00	
	Miss Hattie Kingston, salary to 5-1-1905	220 00	
	Mrs. Louise Kynett, salary to 5-1-1905	180 00	
	Daniel Sprewill, salary to 1-1-1905	76 00	
	Miss Margaret McCartney, traveling expenses	18 41	
	Miss Mary Wilson, traveling expenses	34 66	
	Miss Lizzie Brown, traveling expenses	36 61	
	Miss Anabel Stewart, traveling expenses	19 26	
	Miss Mary E Fowler, traveling expenses	27 79	
	Miss Martha Turner, traveling expenses	16 06	
	Miss Margaret J. Martin, traveling expenses	16 55	
	Miss Dora L. Robb, traveling expenses	15 75	
	Miss Margaret Fleming, traveling expenses	17 60	
	Insurance	280 30	
	School desks	155 00	
	Sundry expenses paid Rev. J. G. Reed	119 03	
	Expense Acct.	122 35	
May 1.	Balance	1,464 54	
		$6,839 91	$6,839 91

Southern Mission Industrial School.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$179 85
	Receipts.		
1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Per Rev. J. G. Reed		10 26
	Expenditures.		
1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Wilbur M. Bottoms, salary to 5-1-1905	$390 00	
	Wilbur M. Bottoms, traveling expenses	23 82	
May 1.	Balance overdrawn		223 71
		$413 82	$413 82

Southern Mission Building Account.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance overdrawn	$39 35	
1905.			
May 1.	Balance overdrawn		$39 35

Pleasant Grove Mission Property Rent Account.

1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Rent, per J. H. Pickens		$30 00
April 30.	Southern Mission Current Acct.	$30 00	

Knox Academy Current Account.

1905.				
April 30.	Cash, Per Rev. J. G. Reed, tuition, 8 months	$928 12		
	Sundry receipts	34 23		
		$962 35		
	Less expenses	600 90		
				$361 45
1905.				
April 30.	Southern Mission Current Acct.		$361 45	

Superintendent's Home, Selma, Ala., Rent Account.

1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Rent, per Rev. J. G. Reed		$100 00
April 30.	Southern Mission Current Acct.	$100 00	

Industrial Building, Selma, Ala.

1904. May 1.	Balance		$189 93
1905. April 30.	Cash, Receipts		62 50
1904. May 13.	Cash, Paid Rev. J. G. Reed	$232 97	
1905. May 1.	Balance	19 46	
		$252 43	$252 43

Chinese Home Mission Current Account.

1904. May 1.	Balance		$1,005 02
	Receipts.		
1905. April 30.	Cash, 1 Congregation $1 00		
	2 Sabbath-schools 19 15		
	2 L. M. S. 20 00		
	7 Individuals 91 15		
	1 W. P. M. S. 7 75		
			139 05
	Chinese of Oakland Chinese Mission, on acct. of expenses of Mission 1 year, to 12-1-1905		160 00
	D. Gregg Endowment Bequest Mortgage Acct., 1 share		536 47
	Dividend: 4.25% on Endowment of $100 00		4 25
	Expenditures.		
1905. April 30.	Cash, Rev. Isaiah Faris, salary to 5-1-1905	$1,000 00	
	Rev. Isaiah Faris, hall rent, to 6-1-1905	264 00	
May 1.	Balance	580 79	
		$1,844 79	$1,844 79

Jewish Mission Current Account.

1904. May 1.	Balance		$139 10
	Receipts.		
1905. April 30.	Cash, 92 Congregations $896 64		
	12 Sabbath-schools 157 05		
	2 S. S. Classes 7 00		
	7 L. M. S. 48 61		
	1 Mission Band 5 50		
	30 Individuals 278 87		
	1 W. P. M. S. 41 75		
			1,435 42

Expenditures.

1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Remittes, Treasurer of Jewish Mission at Philadelphia.....	$1,405 00	
May 1.	Balance	169 52	
		$1,574 52	$1,574 52

Sustentation Fund Current Account.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$4,108 64
	Receipts.		
1905.			
April 30.	Cash, 82 Congregations $1,397 03		
	3 Sabbath-schools 32 04		
	1 Y. P. Society..... 32 94		
	14 Individuals 204 64		
			1,666 65
	D. Gregg Endowment Bequest Mortgage Acct., 1 share.....		536 47
	Expenditures.		
1904.			
June 9.	Cash, Paid appropriations by Synod, 1904, in full, as follows:		
	Rev. P. P. Boyd, Almonte Congregation	$351 00	
	Rev. D. C. Faris, Barnet Congregation	180 96	
	Rev. E. M. Elsey, Bear Run and Mahoning Congregation.	23 40	
	Rev. Thos. Patton, Coldenham Congregation	234 00	
	Rev. J. C. Slater, Jonathans Creek Congregation	234 00	
	Rev. A. J. McFarland, Jr., Kansas City Congregation....	429 00	
	Rev. J. R. W. Stevenson, Lake Reno Congregation	78 00	
	Rev. Jas. A. Black, Rehoboth, Ia., Congregation	210 60	
	Rev. J. R. Latimer, Slippery Rock Congregation	195 00	
	Rev. M. M. Pearce, St. Louis Congregation	546 00	
	Rev. S. J. Johnston, Superior Congregation	273 00	
	Rev. G. M. Robb, Syracuse Congregation	510 12	
	Rev. Hugh McCarroll, Vernon Congregation	234 00	
	Rev. T. A. McElwain, West Hebron Congregation	351 00	
	Rev. John H. Pritchard, White Lake Congregation	234 00	
1905.			
May 1.	Balance	2,227 68	
		$6,311 76	$6,311 76

PITTSBURGH, PA., May 23d, 1905.

Finance Committee (to be appointed by R. P. Synod), to meet at New Castle, May 24th, 1905.

GENTLEMEN:

The balance in this report to credit of Sustentation Fund is...	$2,227 68
There is also a bequest by A. Alexander of.....	2,000 00
Making a total of.....	$4,227 68

To be distributed by this Synod.

I take the liberty of calling attention to this to avoid any misunderstanding.

Very truly yours,

JOHN T. MORTON, *Treasurer.*

Testimony Bearing Current Account.

1904.				
May 1.	Balance			$139 88
	Receipts.			
1905.				
April 30.	Cash, 86 Congregations	$976 68		
	3 Sabbath-schools	32 72		
	1 L. M. S.....	5 00		
	22 Individuals	254 26		
	1 W. P. M. S.....	16 00		
				1,284 66
	Cash, For new agent, Rev. W. J. McKnight			205 00
	Receipts, per reports of Rev. A. J. McFarland			180 05
	Subscriptions for publishing Christian Conference Report			18 92
	Expenditures.			
1905.				
April 30.	Cash, Rev. A. J. McFarland, salary to 6-1-1905		$1,200 00	
	Rev. A. J. McFarland, expenses		73 55	
	Order No. 98, to Rev. W. J. McKnight		205 00	
	Order No. 99, to Rev. W. J. Coleman		4 70	
May 1.	Balance		345 26	
			$1,828 51	$1,828 51

Geneva College Current Account.

Receipts.

1905.			
April 30.	Cash, 72 Congregations $614 44		
	3 Sabbath-schools 19 17		
	8 Individuals 54 00		
	1 W. P. M. S..... 62		
			$688 23
	Rent of Chapel		100 00
	Tuition		3,000 00
	Sale of gas engine and pump...		60 00
	Mrs. Rebecca Jane Burneson Bequest (last payment)		10 00
	Geneva College Interest Acct.....		260 52
	Dividend: 4.25% on Endowment of $133,775 28		5,685 45
1904.			
May 1.	Balance overdrawn	$2,617 22	

Expenditures.

1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Prize of Board of Trustees.....	25 00	
	Rev. J. R. Wylie, expenses attending Board meetings.....	3 20	
	Taxes on Athletic Field.....	30 39	
	Bills for Science Department...	185 43	
	P. O. cards and printing same..	4 00	
	Prof. A. W. Leech, services in gymnasium	100 00	
	Rev. W. P. Johnston, salary to 6-1-1905	1,500 00	
	Prof. Geo. Kennedy, salary to 6-1-1905	1,200 00	
	Prof. J. M. Coleman, salary to 6-1-1905	1,200 00	
	Prof. R. J. McIsaac, salary to 6-1-1905	1,200 00	
	Prof. W. M. Milroy, salary to 6-1-1905	1,200 00	
	Prof. Otto F. Bert, salary to 6-1-1905	1,200 00	
	Prof. S. S. Smith, salary to 6-1-1905	1,000 00	
	Prof. A. W. Leech, salary to 6-1-1905	900 00	
	Miss Adelaide O. Brierly, salary to 6-1-1905	560 00	
	Miss Grace P. Moorhead, salary to 10-1-1904	70 00	
	Interest Acct., 1 year's interest, to 5-1-1905, on overdraft of $2,617 22...	157 03	
	Expense Acct.	244 70	
May 1.	Balance overdrawn		3,592 77
		$13,396 97	$13,396 97

Geneva College Interest Account.

1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Received for interest on Geneva College notes during year....		$260 52
April 30.	Geneva College Current Acct.....	$260 52	

Geneva College Library Account.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$130 64
	Receipts.		
1905.			
April 30.	Theological Seminary Library Fund (one-half receipts of Library Fund during year)		131 51
	Expenditures.		
1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Paid for books, magazines, etc..	$71 10	
May 1.	Balance	191 05	
		$262 15	$262 15

Geneva College Dormitory Improvements.

1904.			
Sept. 16.	Cash, Paid Rev. W. P. Johnston, D.D., for improvements on Geneva College Dormitory, as per note given by Trustees of College, dated 8-22-1904 (ordered by Synod, 1904 Minutes, page 98)	$1,600 00	
1905.			
April 30.	Cash, Received on acct. of note.....		$468 00
	6 months interest, to 2-22-1905..		40 20
	Interest Acct., amount of interest transferred	40 20	
May 1.	Balance		1,132 00
		$1,640 20	$1,640 20

Pittsburgh Presbytery Accounts.

1905.		
May 1.	Balance, Pittsburgh Presbytery Current Acct.	$711 12
	Balance, Pittsburgh Presbytery Education Fund	758 94
	Balance, Pittsburgh Presbytery Investment Fund	2,350 00

Pittsburgh Presbytery's Sabbath-school Convention Fund.

1905.		
May 1.	Balance	$0 95

BALANCE SHEET, MAY 1ST, 1905.

LIABILITIES.

ENDOWMENT FUNDS.

	1904.	1905.
Geneva College Endowment	$133,775 28	$137,296 28
Theological Seminary Endowment	60,929 85	61,206 19
Students' Fund Endowment	15,877 93	15,927 93
Foreign Mission Endowment	43,536 17	43,536 17
Domestic Mission Endowment	31,101 04	31,101 04
Southern Mission Endowment	4,556 28	4,556 28
Chinese Home Mission Endowment	100 00	100 00
Indian Mission Endowment	1,500 00	1,500 00
Aged Ministers' Endowment	12,740 56	12,740 56
Fund for Widows and Children of Deceased Ministers' Endowment	5,691 06	5,691 06
Church Extension Endowment	3,400 00	3,400 00
James R. McKee Memorial Endowment (Widows and Children)	2,000 00	2,000 00
James R. McKee Memorial Endowment (Foreign Mission)	1,000 00	1,000 00
Iowa Presbytery Endowment	700 00	700 00
Wilkinsburg Congregation Endowment	500 00	500 00
Mrs. Mary Ann Henry Bequest Endowment	2,868 80	2,868 80
Bible Society Endowment	50 00	50 00
(Dividend 4.25% declared on this amount)	$320,326 97	
Mrs. Agnes McInroy Endowment (not governed by dividend, but by specified rate of interest)		3,000 00
		$327,174 31
D. Gregg Bequest Endowment (not governed by dividend, net revenue distributed as instructed by donor)		157,015 73
		$484,190 04

SUNDRY ACCOUNTS.

St. Johnsbury Church Property Rent Acct	$4,766 57
Real Estate (Linden Ave., Allegheny, Pa.)	1,128 67
Real Estate (No. 339 Gross St., Pittsburgh, Pa.)	1 62
Interest Acct	51 66
Contingent Acct	622 88
Mrs. Rebecca Brown Donation, No. 2	1,840 00
Cash Donation	2,474 73
Real Estate Donation	1,522 89
Thos. Christison Donation	100 00
Donation (Name not to be given)	800 00
Donation (Name not to be given)	2,100 00
Real Estate Donation (Name not to be given)	1 00
Rev. Robert Shields Bequest	600 00
Samuel McCoy Bequest	100 00
Miss Jane Kelly Bequest	500 00
Mrs. Esther Gilmore Bequest	95 38
John Hunter Bequest	5,699 00
John A. McKee Endowment Bequest	20 52
Andrew Alexander Bequest for Sustentation Fund	2,000 00

Andrew Alexander Bequest for Southern Mission.	1,000 00
Andrew Alexander Bequest for Indian Mission...	500 00
James Carlisle Bequest.....	4,000 00
Fund to Procure Home for Family of Rev. Chas. Clyde, Deceased	1,274 07
South Carolina Cemetery Lot Repairs.....	12 25
Life Interest in Real Estate Donation.....	72 16
W. P. M. S. of Pittsburgh Presbytery.....	200 00
Pittsburgh Presbytery Current Acct.....	711 12
Pittsburgh Presbytery Education Fund.....	758 94
Pittsburgh Presbytery Investment Fund.....	2,350 00
Pittsburgh Presbytery S. S. Convention Fund....	95

CURRENT ACCOUNTS.

Indian Mission Current Acct.....	$825 51
Indian Mission Industrial School.....	139 60
Theological Seminary Library Fund.....	1,223 40
Students' Fund Current Acct.....	129 46
Memorial Building Rent Acct.....	4,273 42
Aged Ministers Fund Current Acct.....	468 67
Fund for Widows and Children of Deceased Ministers Current Acct.....	811 83
Southern Mission Current Acct.....	1,464 54
Industrial Building, Selma, Ala.....	19 46
Chinese Home Mission Current Acct.....	580 79
Jewish Mission Current Acct.....	169 52
Sustentation Fund Current Acct.....	2,227 68
Testimony Bearing Current Acct.....	345 26
Geneva College Library Acct.....	191 05

ASSETS.

David Gregg Endowment Bequest Mortgage Acct.		$156,750 00
Mortgage Acct.		265,044 63
Greensburg Church Property Acct.....		200 00
St. Johnsbury, Vt., R. P. Church Property Acct...		8,311 76
Real Estate (10th and 12th Wards, Allegheny, Pa.)		35,437 10
Real Estate (Grant Ave., Allegheny, Pa.)		
Cost of property.....$18,759 16		
Less net amount of income..... 1,522 46		
		17,236 70
Real Estate (No. 4 Susquehanna St., Pittsburgh, Pa.)		2,409 86
Real Estate (Lyric St., Pittsburgh, Pa.).....		4,703 91
Real Estate (No. 6718 Simen Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.)		4,398 79
Real Estate (No. 6720 Simen Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.)		4,414 64
Real Estate (No. 18 Niagara St., Pittsburgh, Pa.).		6,636 37
Real Estate (Jeannette, Pa.)		2,204 68
Real Estate (No. 341 Gross St., Pittsburgh, Pa.)..		18 38
Estate of Joseph McNaugher, Deceased.....		170 87
Office Furniture Acct.....		423 51
Cash Acct.		10,873 74
Domestic Mission Current Acct.....		2,773 12
Indian Mission Building Acct.....		2 89
Theological Seminary Current Acct.....		1,289 92
Southern Mission Industrial School.....		223 71
Southern Mission Building Fund.....		39 35
Geneva College Current Acct.....		3,592 77

Geneva College Dormitory Improvements	1,132 00	
Life Insurance Policy	1,840 00	
Bond and Mortgage Real Estate Donation	2,000 00	
Real Estate Donation	25 00	
Real Estate Account (Name not to be given)	1 00	
Estate of John Gibson, Deceased	152 00	
Jane Allsworth Bequest	55 94	
Southfield Church Acct	2 00	
	$532,364 64	$532,364 64

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE.

We, the undersigned, having been appointed by the Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America, to audit the accounts of John T. Morton, Treasurer, would respectfully report that we have performed the duty assigned us, having examined the accounts, bonds, mortgages and other securities, and cash in bank and on hand, and the business of the Board as set forth in this report to the Synod of 1905, and find same correct.

WILLIAM BLAIR,
A. C. COULTER,
Auditors.

SYNOPSIS OF THE REPORT OF WALTER T. MILLER, TREASURER, FROM MARCH 28TH, 1904, TO APRIL 1ST, 1905.

FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

The Receipts have been:		
From Congregations		$7,022 39
From Sabbath-schools and Missionary Societies		3,130 85
From Individuals and Bequests		2,014 48
"Memorial Thank Offerings:"		
From Mrs. Rev. R. J. George, to be equally divided between Cyprus, Suedia, Mersine and Latakia		200 00
From Various others		73 00
From Young Women of the Reformed Presbyterian Church		192 75
From Ministers of the Reformed Presbyterian Church		65 00
From Elders of the Reformed Presbyterian Church		9 50
Toward Salaries their respective Missionaries:		
From Young People Second New York Cong., salary their Missionary, Rev. Walter McCarroll		800 00
From Bequest of Mary Ann Henry, of Brooklyn, N. Y., per Jas. H. Culbert, Executor	$1,000 00	
Less Succession Tax	43 20	
		956 80
From In Memoriam Mrs. S. R. Wiggins, per Miss S. W. Wiggins, for the general fund of the Syrian Mission (not Cyprus), including Tarsus, Suedia, Latakia and the Turkish, or to be used for some special purpose or purposes, at the discretion of the Board, as per letter of April 1st, 1904.		1,000 00
From Dividend J. R. McKee Memorial, by Synod Trustees		45 00
From Dividend David Gregg Endowment Fund, by Synod Trustees		2,689 75
From Dividend Invested Funds, by Synod Trustees		1,959 13
Total Receipts		$20,158 65

The Expenditures have been:	
For Salaries	$9,215 91
For Mission Expenses, acct. Latakia	4,143 36
For Mission Expenses, acct. Tarsus	4,196 38
For Mission Expenses, acct. Cyprus	1,530 71
For Mission Expenses, acct. Suedia	487 01
For Special Contributions to date, acct. Latakia	385 53
For Special Contributions to date, acct. Tarsus	163 00
For Special Contributions to date, acct. Cyprus	454 79
For Shipping Expenses	154 35
For Small Items	19 25
For Outfit, Dr. Calvin McCarroll	400 00
For Medical Examination, Dr. Calvin McCarroll and Florence Patterson	4 00
For Memorial Thank Offerings, acct. Latakia	50 00
For Memorial Thank Offerings, acct. Tarsus	50 00
For Memorial Thank Offerings, acct. Suedia	50 00
For Memorial Thank Offerings, acct. Cyprus	50 00
For Traveling Expenses:	
Dr. Calvin McCarroll and wife, from Detroit to Cyprus.	296 55
Miss Cunningham, from Suedia to Naples to Centreville, Mich., via Liverpool to New York	133 52
Miss M. B. Edgar, from Naples to New York via Liverpool	106 13
Chas. A. Stewart, from Latakia to Beaver Falls, Pa.	106 62
Dr. J. M. Balph and family, Miss Willa Dodds and Miss E. M. Sterrett, from Latakia to Beaver Falls	776 40
Miss M. B. Edgar, from New York to Kansas City, Mo.	42 10
Miss E. M. Sterrett, from Beaver Falls to Mersine	183 45
For Clerk's Salary, proportion chargeable to this account	111 00
Total Expenditures	$23,110 06
The excess of Expenditures over Receipts being	2,951 41
Added to debit balance of March 28th, 1904	6,748 88
Leaves a debit balance this date of	$9,700 29

SYRIAN HOSPITAL FUND.

Cr.

1904. Mar. 28.	By Balance as reported to Synod	$2,042 32
1905. May 5.	By Cash, Contributions to date, for general purposes of Hospital, from Individuals and Missionary Societies	456 32
	By Cash, Contributions to date from Missionary Societies, for support of beds	120 00
	By Cash, Returned by Dr. J. M. Balph, from funds remitted to him	270 00
	By Cash, Interest earned to date	73 95

Dr.

1904.			
April 7.	To Cash, Remitted Dr. S. A. S. Metheny, for bill of Enamel of John Wanamaker, paid by him.....	$8 25	
1905.			
May 5.	To Balance carried down.....	2,954 34	
		$2,962 59	$2,962 59

Cr.

1905.		
May 5.	By Balance brought down.....	$2,954 34

TARSUS-MERSINE HOSPITAL FUND.

Cr.

1904.		
Mar. 28.	By Balance as reported to Synod.....	$371 77

Dr.

1905.			
May 5.	To Balance carried down.....	$371 77	
		$371 77	$371 77

Cr.

1905.		
May 5.	By Balance brought down.....	$371 77

D. J. SHAW MEMORIAL FUND.

Cr.

1904.		
Mar. 28.	By Balance as reported to Synod.....	$1,200 00
1905.		
May 1.	By Interest earned to date.....	35 50

Dr.

1905.			
May 5.	To Balance carried down.....	$1,235 50	
		$1,235 50	$1,235 50

Cr.

1905.		
May 5.	By Balance brought down.....	$1,235 50

BUILDING FUND, LARNACA, CYPRUS.

Cr.

1904. Mar. 28.	By Balance as reported to Synod.....		$54 00

Dr.

1905. May 5.	To Balance carried down.....	$54 00	
		$54 00	$54 00

Cr.

1905. May 5.	By Balance brought down.....		$54 00

TEMPORARY INVESTMENT FUND.

Cr.

1904. Mar. 28.	By Balance as reported to Synod.....		$13,799 03
July 1.	By Interest really earned previously....		489 33
1905. May 1.	By Interest earned to date.....		367 13

Dr.

1905. May 5.	To Balance carried down.....	$14,655 49	
		$14,655 49	$14,655 49

Cr.

1905. May 5.	By Balance brought down.....		$14,655 49

MERSINE CEMETERY FENCE FUND.

Cr.

1905. May 5.	By Contributions, duly acknowledged from Individuals, Sabbath-schools and Missionary Societies to date.....		$150 00

Dr.

1904. Jan. 19.	To Cash, Paid Brown Bros., Sterling Bill, 19-1-7, at 4.87½.....	$93 00	
1905. May 5.	To Balance carried down.....	57 00	
		$150 00	$150 00

Cr.

1905. May 5.	By Balance brought down.....		$57 00

MISSION IN CHINA.

The Receipts have been:

From Congregations	$2,426 34
From Sabbath-chools and Missionary Societies	1,002 26
From Individuals and Bequests	1,029 40
"Memorial Thank Offerings:"	
From Mrs. Rev. R. J. George	100 00
From Various others	32 00
From Third Cong., Philadelphia, salary their Missionary, Dr. J. L. Wright	1,000 00
From Colorado Presbytery, salary their Missionary, Dr. Kate McBurney	500 00
From First Cong., Philadelphia, salary their Missionary, Dr. Jean McBurney	225 00
By Re-imbursement of Traveling Expenses by Dr. J. L. Wright.	49 49
By Transfer to Building Fund Acct. remittance of Jan. 25th, 1904, charged to Acct. Salaries, but which China Treas. reports having appropriated for Building Fund Acct	500 00
Total Receipts	$6,864 49

The Expenditures have been:

For Salaries	$5,225 76
For Special Contributions to Jan. 15th, 1905	626 96
For Outfit, Rev. Julius A. Kempf	160 00
For Small Items, cablegrams	6 35
For Traveling Expenses:	
A. I. Robb and party, from Kansas City to Hong Kong	270 00
Julius A. Kempf, from New York to Hong Kong	242 50
Members New York Presbytery, who attended Pro-re-nator Meeting of Presbytery	26 88
For Clerk's Salary, proportion chargeable to this account	74 00
Total Expenditures	$6,632 45
The Excess of Receipts over Expenditures being	$232 04
Added to Credit Balance of March 28th, 1904, of	3.058 13
Leaves a Credit Balance this date of	$3,290 17

BUILDING FUND, MISSION IN CHINA.

Cr.

1904.		
Mar. 28.	By Balance as reported to Synod	$4,454 58
	By Additional Contributions	222 68
1905.		
May 1.	By Interest earned to date	94 25

Dr.

1904.			
April 20.	To Cash, Paid Brown Bros. & Co., for part Letter of Credit for $1,300 sent to Rev. J. K. Robb, Treas.....	$1,000 00	
Nov. 28.	To Transfer from Acct. Salaries, Mission in China, remittance of Jan. 25th, '04, of Cashier's Check, charged to above account, but which China Treasurer reports was used for this account.	500 00	
1905.			
Mar. 3.	To Cash, Paid bills, A. D. McNeill & Russell, Ervin Mfg. Co., for Hardware	102 13	
May 5.	To Balance carried down.....	3,169 38	
		$4,771 51	$4,771 51

Cr.

1905.		
May 5.	By Balance brought down.....	$3,169 38

M. M. GREGG HOSPITAL FUND, CHINA.

Cr.

1904.		
April 8.	By Cash, Gift of Mrs. M. M. Gregg, to provide for the payment for the land on which the Hospital is to be built, through Rev. R. J. George.....	$300 00

Dr.

1904.			
April 20.	To Cash, Paid Brown Bros. & Co., part Letter of Credit for $1,300 sent to Rev. J. K. Robb, Treas.....	$300 00	
		$300 00	$300 00

HOSPITAL BUILDING FUND, CHINA.

Cr.

1904.		
Oct. 31.	By Cash, From S. S. Olathe Cong.....	$47 94

Dr.

1905.			
May 5.	To Balance carried down.....	$47 94	
		$47 94	$47 94

Cr.

1905.		
May 5.	By Balance brought down.....	$47 94

HOSPITAL IN CHINA, CURRENT FUND.

Cr.

1904.			
Jan. 8.	By Cash, From Women's Presbyterial Missionary Society, Pittsburgh Presbytery		$2 00
July 21.	By Cash, From Women's Presbyterial Missionary Society, Pittsburgh Presbytery		10 00
1905.			
Mar. 7.	By Cash, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McBurney, of Cannonsburg, Pa		100 00

Dr.

1904.			
April 12.	To Cash, Paid bill Chas. Lentz & Sons, Philadelphia, for Surgical Instruments	$23 28	
1905.			
May 5.	To Balance carried down	88 72	
		$112 00	$112 00

Cr.

1905.		
May 5.	By Balance brought down	$88 72

Audited and found correct.

DR. J. MAUDE GEORGE, HOSPITAL FUND, CHINA.

Cr.

1904.			
April 4.	By Cash, "In Memoriam" of Mrs. S. R. Wiggins, per Miss S. W. Wiggins, to be used at the discretion of Dr. J. Maude George		$500 00
1905.			
April 4.	By Cash, Interest earned to date		13 25

Dr.

1905.			
May 5.	To Balance carried down	$513 25	
		$515 25	$513 25

Cr.

1905.		
May 5.	By Balance brought down	$513 25

NEW STATION IN CHINA FUND OF DRS. KATE AND JEAN MCBURNEY.

Cr.

1904.			
April 4.	By Cash, "In Memoriam" Mrs. S. R. Wiggins, per Miss S. W. Wiggins, toward the finding of a new Station in China, or to be held at the call of Dr. Kate and Jean McBurney.....		$500 00
1905.			
April 4.	By Cash, Interest earned to date.....		13 25

Dr.

1905.			
May 5.	To Balance carried down.....	$513 25	
		$513 25	$513 25

Cr.

1905.		
May 5.	By Balance brought down.....	$513 25

MEMORIAL THANK OFFERINGS FUND FOR CHINA, LATAKIA, TARSUS, SUEDIA AND CYPRUS.

Cr.

1905.			
May 5.	By Cash, Contributions to date for Latakia		$66 50
	By Cash, Contributions to date for Tarsus		14 50
	By Cash, Contributions to date for Suedia		33 30
	By Cash, Contributions to date for Cyprus		59 00
	By Cash, Contributions to date for China		493 87

Dr.

1905.			
May 5.	To Balance carried down.....	$667 17	$667 17

Cr.

1905.		
May 5.	By Balance brought down.....	$667 17

THE CHURCH ERECTION FUND.

Cr.

1904.		
April 14.	By Balance reported to Synod.....	$3,955 77

1905.			
May 5.	By Cash, From Congregations to date..		1,488 11
	By Cash, From Sabbath-schools and Missionary Societies to date.....		11 21
	By Cash, From Individuals and Bequests		159 06
1904.			
May 3.	By Cash, Dividend on Invested Funds, by Synod's Board of Trustees.....		153 00
1905.			
May 2.	By Cash, Dividend on Invested Funds, by Synod's Board of Trustees.....		144 50
	By Cash, Dividend on David Gregg Endowment Fund, by Synod's Board of Trustees		536 47

Dr.

1904.			
Sept. 28.	To Cash, Paid appropriation to St. Louis Congregation	$1,000 00	
	To Cash, Paid appropriation to Chicago Congregation	2,000 00	
Sept. 29.	To Cash, Paid appropriation to Fairgrove Congregation	400 00	
	To Cash, Paid appropriation to Bellefontaine Congregation	200 00	
Oct. 18.	To Cash, Paid appropriation to First Boston Congregation	1,000 00	
1905.			
May 5.	To Balance carried down.....	1,848 12	
		$6,448 12	$6,448 12

Cr.

1905.		
May 5.	By Balance brought down.....	$1,848 12

E. & O. E.

New York, May 5th, 1905.

WALTER T. MILLER, *Treasurer.*

Audited and found correct.

J. J. MACKEOWN,
I. A. BLACKWOOD,
Committee.

REPORT OF SYNOD'S FINANCIAL AGENT FOR NATIONAL REFORM.

1904.	*Receipts.*		
May 1.	Balance		$539 53
	Collected by J. R. Millin.....	$375 96	
	Collected by H. H. George.....	53 85	
	Collected by J. S. Martin.....	588 62	
	Collected by J. M. Foster.....	158 29	
	Collected by J. R. Dill.....	798 23	
	Collected by T. P. Stevenson.....	623 90	
	Collected by T. H. Acheson.....	1,281 16	
	Sent direct to Treasurer by Individuals, Societies and Congregations.....	3,538 09	7,418 10
			$7,957 63

Disbursements.

Paid for Postage, Expressage, etc.....	$191 32	
Paid Rent of Office.....	180 00	
Paid Rent of Telephone.....	16 00	
Paid Salary of Bookkeeper.....	300 00	
Paid for Printing	2,179 72	
Salaries and expenses of Secretaries...	4,300 53	
Paid Miscellaneous Bills	259 78	
	$7,427 35	
Balance April 29th, 1905.....	530 28	
		$7,957 63

Respectfully submitted,
R. C. WYLIE, *Financial Agent.*

Books and condensed statement compared, audited and found correct.
D. CHESNUT,
Pittsburgh, May 23d, 1905. A. C. COULTER, *Committee.*

REPORT OF JAMES S. TIBBY, TREASURER LITERARY FUND.

Receipts.

On hand May 1st, 1904.....	$220 14	
Contributions from Individuals	41 40	
Contributions from Sabbath-schools	23 46	
Contributions from Congregations	497 74	
Sale of Testimonies and Disciplines.....	33 75	
Sale of Psalm Books	318 14	
Sale of Psalm Selections	57 50	
Sale of Old Minutes	5 14	
Sale of 1904 Minutes	237 30	
Sale of Miscellaneous Books	3 00	
		$1,437 57

Expenditures.

Rent, Safe Deposit Box.....	$5 00	
Printing 1904 Minutes.....	308 75	
Postage 1904 Minutes.....	32 20	
Postage, Expressage, Freight on Books.....	40 84	
Apportionment, Presbyterian Alliance, 1904.....	60 00	
Apportionment, Joint Comm. Revision of Psalms	25 00	
Advertising	12 00	
Insurance on Plates and Books.....	27 41	
Printing Systematic Beneficence Report.....	7 00	
Expenses Rev. Jos. McCracken to Dutch Reformed Synod	6 55	
Envelopes, Paper and Books bought.....	7 60	
Balance on hand.....	905 22	
		$1,437 57

The stock of books on hand is running low and it will be necessary to replenish during the coming year. Your Treasurer would respectfully ask for instructions as to printing more of the present New Version Psalm Books.

Respectfully submitted,
J. S. TIBBY, *Treasurer.*

The above statement has been compared with the books, which have been audited, and found correct.
D. CHESTNUT,
A. C. COULTER,
Pittsburgh, May 22d, 1905. *Committee.*

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN WOMAN'S ASSOCIATION.
SUMMARY.

1904.				
		Receipts.		
Mar. 1.	Balance			$3,458 01
	Wardrobe, Committee Room	$10 62		
	Thank Offering	73 75		
	Nancy Gregory Acct.	619 65		
	Margaret McCormick Acct.	5 00		
	Sarah J. Isaac Acct.	5 00		
	Rebecca Cameron Acct.	118 00		
	Congregational Collections	357 38		
	Mary Aiton Acct.	600 00		
	Managers' Contingent Fund.	22 00		
	Memorial Interest Acct.	351 69		
	Membership Dues	184 20		
	Donated to Building Fund.	880 01		
	Admission Fees	1,000 00		
	Boarding	196 25		
	Current Acct.	267 50		
				$4,691 05
				$8,149 06
		Expenditures.		
	Mr. and Mrs. D. Gregg Room.	$18 65		
	Rev. D. and M. C. McKee Room.	4 98		
	Miss Margaret Galbraith Room.	9 47		
	Mrs. Eda S. E. McKee Room.	10 00		
	Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McKee Room.	28 45		
	Jos. and Mary Hunter Room.	121 14		
	Miss Lizzie Hunter Room.	115 49		
	Mr. Samuel McKee Room.	4 97		
	Wardrobe Committee Room.	8 97		
	David Torrens Room	108 53		
	Thank Offering Room.	113 74		
	Association Room	88 15		
	John Davidson Room.	103 98		
	Miss Margaret Barr Room.	105 23		
	Miss Dryden	21 00		
	Nancy Gregory Acct.	60 00		
	S. J. Isaacs	24 20		
	Mrs. Cameron	25 84		
	Mrs. Daugherty	1 40		
	Miss Simpson	6 00		
	Mrs. S. B. Magee.	8 00		
	Managers' Contingent Fund.	13 47		
	Building Fund	2,463 16		
	House Expense	995 42		
	Salary Acct.	430 50		
	House Repair	4 50		
	Current Acct.	406 04		
				$5,301 08
	Balance			$2,847 98
				$8,149 06

ANNETTE G. WALLACE, *Treasurer.*

Audited and signed.

R. A. STEELE,
R. W. WALLACE, *For Committee.*

REPORT OF TREASURER OF JEWISH MISSION BOARD.

March 1st, 1904, to May 1st, 1905.

Dr.

Balance reported to Synod		$653 95	
John T. Morton, Treasurer, receipts from		1,730 00	
Rev. M. Greenberg, receipts from		94 88	
Rev. G. M. Robb, receipts from		23 50	
Treasurer, receipts by		132 81	
Interest on money in bank		10 55	
			$2,645 69

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Salaries:			
Rev. M. Greenberg, to 10-1-1904	$390 00		
Rev. G. M. Robb, to 5-1-1905	700 00		
Miss Cora Miller, to 5-1-1905	40 00		
		$1,130 00	
Traveling expenses:			
Rev. G. M. Robb and family, from Syracuse, N. Y.	$87 01		
Miss Cora Miller, from Parnassus	9 70		
		96 71	
General expenses:			
Mission	$695 80		
Heater installed	267 00		
Coal, 14 tons, @ $5.85	81 90		
Water Rent, 1904 and 1905	27 95		
"Hebrew Messenger"	31 75		
		1,104 40	
Balance in bank		314 58	
			$2,645 69

Respectfully submitted,

S. A. S. METHENY, *Treasurer.*

The undersigned hereby certify that the foregoing account is a condensed statement taken from the itemized account of the book of the Treasurer, which we have examined and found correct.

R. C. MONTGOMERY,
J. C. MCFEETERS,
Auditors.

May 4th, 1905.

REPORT OF SYNOD'S BOARD OF CONTROL.

The annual meeting of your Board was held last November, and the business intrusted to its management was given due attention.

The cases of the several applicants for aid were carefully considered, and appropriations were made according to our best judgment. Seven students of theology, five aged ministers and ten widows were granted aid from the respective funds at our disposal. The report of your Treasurer will show the amount appropriated to each.

Your Board requests Synod to order the Board of Trustees to place the balance of the Clyde Fund, with the proceeds in hand, subject to the order of the Board of Control, to be used for the benefit of Mrs. Clyde and family. To enforce this request Dr. C. D. Trumbull was appointed our representative on the floor of Synod.

We ask that successors be chosen to Rev. W. C. Allen, whose term expires this year, and to Elder J. W. Cavin, who at our last meeting tendered his resignation, which we were reluctantly compelled to accept,

his own business being of such a nature as to prevent him from attending our meetings.

We ask the following appropriations for the ensuing year: Aged Ministers, $1,500; Widows and Orphans, $2,500; Students' Fund, $1,000.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. Black, *Secretary.*

The Clerk cast the unanimous ballot of Synod for A. B. Copeland, Daniel Chesnut and A. C. Coulter as members of Synod's Board of Trustees for three years, ending June 15th, 1908.

Also, for James S. Tibby, as a member of the same Board, to fill out the unexpired term of John T. Morton, ending June 15th, 1907.

W. W. Twinam, T. A. McElwain, T. P. Stevenson, T. McFall and J. A. Newcomb were granted leave of absence.

Report of Committee on Home Missions was taken from the table. Representatives from the Indian, Southern, Chinese and Jewish Missions were heard. The report was adopted as a whole, and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Committee on Home Missions has received two papers: one from the Central Board of Missions, the other from the Jewish Mission Board. These reports show the present condition of the following missions:

1. The Domestic Mission. The work in this field appears to be far in advance of its financial support. A large over-draft would seem to require either prompt liberality or speedy retrenchment. The latter cannot be entertained for a moment, hence the necessity of an urgent call for funds.

2. The Southern Mission. We recognize with gratitude the prosperous condition of the work in this field, and the cordial interest manifested in this Mission by the Church. The field is wide and the opportunities great, calling for sustained and increasing effort of all the Churches in order to meet the requirements. It is the judgment of your Committee, with the information at hand, that, instead of advanced classical education, more labor proportionately should be given to the industrial department.

3. The Indian Mission. The success of this Mission also is such as to awaken the spirit of thankfulness in the Synod and in the Church. The increasing numbers attending public services and the Sabbath-school have necessitated the enlargement of the church building, which has been accomplished during the year. We notice the Church at large manifests an interest in a way that might stimulate a healthy emulation in the support of other missions—contributing service as well as goods and funds.

4. The Chinese Mission. This Mission has been conducted with much interest and good results during the year, and by its fruit proves the wisdom of its resuscitation.

5. The Jewish Mission. This Mission is now under the care of the Board appointed by Synod last year. Rev. Moses Greenberg resigned the work, October 1st, 1904, which was immediately taken up by Rev. G. M. Robb, at the appointment tendered him by the Board. The work being done by the missionary and his helpers is such as should commend the

Mission very cordially to the Church. The increase in the number of workers in this Mission will require an increase of funds for the work.

We recommend the following:

1. That our pastors and elders endeavor to impress the whole Church with the importance of Home Mission work, and the imperative and immediate need of its liberal support.

2. That we urge upon the people the fact that all these Missions are theirs to be carried continually in their hearts, as worthy of their earnest prayers and bountiful gifts.

3. That we recognize in the healthy growth of the Missions a loud call for more laborers, and will keep this branch of the Church's service persistently before our young people.

4. That with gratitude to our missionaries for their devotion and fidelity in the work, to the Church for the missionary spirit manifest in sustaining the Missions, and to God for his abounding blessings in the past, we will go forward in the work of all these fields with utmost confidence that our Lord Jesus Christ will send the showers of the Holy Spirit that shall secure results even more glorious and heart-cheering than we have yet seen.

5. We recommend that the full amount requested by the Boards for the several Missions will be ordered by Synod.

J. C. McFeeters,
Louis Meyer,
J. C. Slater,
John Birnie,
W. W. Dickey.

REPORT OF THE CENTRAL BOARD OF MISSIONS.

In presenting this, our fifty-first annual Domestic Mission report, we call the attention of Synod to the present condition of the Domestic Mission Fund. At the close of the Synodical year, April 30th, it was overdrawn $2,773.12. Last year we reported a balance of $463.43. As the date for the collection is not until October, we cannot expect much in the way of receipts before the beginning of November, unless a special effort be made soon to reduce the deficit. By that date the Board will have declared two dividends, or one-half of the amount that will be appropriated this year for Domestic Mission purposes. This matter should receive the careful attention of Synod.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$463 43
1905.			
April 30.	Receipts	$3,245 77	
	Dividends	2,931 21	6.176 98
			$6,640 41
	Expenditures		9.413 53
May 1.	Balance overdrawn		$2.773 12

We ask for this Mission $10,000.

Southern Mission.

The teaching force at the present time consists of Rev. J. G. Reed, principal; Mrs. G. M. Simms, Miss Mary Wilson, Miss Hattie Kingston, Miss Margaret Martin, Miss Dora Robb, Miss Sophia Kingston, Miss Lizzie Brown, Miss Margaret Fleming and Miss Mary Fowler, and Professor Bottoms, of the Industrial Department. Miss Margaret Fleming took

the place of Miss McCartney, Miss Dora Robb of Miss Anabel Stewart, and Miss Margaret Martin of Miss Martha Turner.

The school opened its thirty-fifth session on Oct. 3d, 1904, and closed on May 19th, 1905. The enrollment during the year was three hundred and seventy-six and average attendance two hundred and forty-eight, in neither case as large as the previous year. This was owing to local causes which could not be prevented. A year has been added to the course of instruction, making the entire course twelve years, instead of as heretofore, eleven. Mr. Reed found this change necessary "in order to make the course compare favorably with similar courses in similar schools."

Mrs. Reed gave instruction in instrumental music to a number of pupils.

The amount realized from tuition this year was $948.91.

The Bible work was about the same as that of last year. "One hour each school day was spent in devotional exercises and study of the Bible or catechisms. What was committed during the week was recited by each grade in concert on Thursday mornings in the chapel." The average attendance of pupils at the morning Sabbath-school was 102, and at the afternoon school, which is especially for those whose membership is in other churches, was 117. The maximum attendance in the latter was 191. In this school the Blakeslee Lessons were used. In the morning the International. With regard to the progress made Mr. Reed states that "teachers of higher schools where our former pupils attend testify that they are easily marked by their superior knowledge of the Bible."

Industrial Departments.—The progress in these departments during the year has been encouraging. "Miss Fowler and Prof. Bottoms," Mr. Reed writes, "have done faithful, painstaking and effective work. They have made their departments very popular with the pupils. This has its influence in bringing many who would otherwise go to other schools."

Miss Fowler gives instruction in sewing and cooking. "A total of 336 pieces was made by the pupils." "More work and a higher grade of it," she writes, "has been done this year. The supply of new machines donated by friends and missionary societies has done much to produce this result. Many of the garments made were from material which the girls themselves provided and the garments were for themselves." $18.26 were realized from the sale of material and garments. The net cost of the department was $10.89.

The instruction in cooking has been of a practical character, the object being so to instruct in all that relates to cooking that ultimately "the pupils will be able to make a perfect meal which will nourish every part of the body." The progress made has been quite gratifying.

Professor Bottoms' work is confined to carpentry. He reports that "the increased interest and willingness to work shown by the boys is real encouragement. Neater and more work from each has resulted." A large number of articles was made, some of which were sold. Considerable work was done for the school. The net income from this department was $8.21.

Pleasant Grove.—Mr. Pickens is still in charge here. The enrollment of scholars was seventy-five; average attendance, twenty-seven. Nine persons were received into the Church this year from this Mission, six of whom were pupils from the school.

Valley Creek.—The enrollment in this school was twenty-five; average attendance, fifteen. Mrs. Kynett is in charge. "She has been faithful," Mr. Reed writes, "does effective work and is greatly respected." Mr. Reed preaches at each of these places once a month.

Mr. Reed in his report adds: "There has been harmony of feeling and action between the two different arms of the service. A great deal of careful, painstaking work has been done by the teachers. They have visited a great deal among the pupils. The latter never made better progress in their studies."

The friends at the Mission were cheered by visits from Mr. and Mrs. Price, of Allegheny, and Mr. and Mrs. Leslie, of New Castle.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$2,447 92
1905.			
April 30.	Receipts	$3,661 88	
	Dividends	730 11	4,391 99
			$6,839 91
April 30.	Expenditures		5,375 37
			$1,464 54
1905.			
May 1.	Balance		$1,464 54

We ask for this Mission $5,000.

INDIAN MISSION.

A few changes have been made in the Mission force this year, some of the workers not being able to return. Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Graham, of Olathe Congregation, "gave the training of a home to the boys." Mr. Samuel Coulter, of Kansas City Congregation, had charge of the baking, and Miss Tillie McIsaac, of Bear Run, Pa., of the kitchen and dining room.

"The health of all at the Mission," Mr. Coulter writes, "was good with the exception of Mrs. Ella Moore, who passed away at her father's home in Olathe, on Oct. 26th, 1904. She had been a great sufferer for years. During the months she was with us we learned to set a high value on her presence and the work she did. She was faithful in daily duties up to the limit of her strength and beyond it."

The number of scholars enrolled during the year was sixty-six, the largest number at any one time being fifty-four.

"The Sabbath-school among the Indians at the Mission is held in the forenoon. Miss Coleman is superintendent. The children attend this service. There is an average attendance of twenty-seven older Indians. At the same hour Mr. McAnlis, Mr. Moore and Yellow Fish are at the Apache camp, five miles north of the Mission, instructing the older Indians and the children in Bible truth." There is an average attendance here of forty-four. Last January a Sabbath-school at the same hour was started among the whites ten miles west of the Mission, with an average attendance of thirty-seven. There is also a Sabbath-school for whites at the Mission; average attendance, thirty-three, and a service for the Indians with average attendance of about eighty-nine. In addition there is a service for Indians and whites at 3 P. M., attended by about a hundred and thirty. At this service a collection is taken up which amounted last year to $188.00. "Two hundred and eleven persons are reached each Sabbath with Bible instruction."

Three communions were held during the year. Prof. J. M. Coleman assisted at the first, Rev. W. J. Coleman, D.D., at the second, and Rev. A. J. McFarland, D.D., at the third. There was an increase of nineteen, of whom eight were baptized. There was a decrease of seven.

An addition was made to the "church building, largely due to the enterprise and liberality of Miss Lilly McKnight. It is now completed and is a great addition to the church in convenience and beauty."

Dr. Ida Scott, who has charge of the hospital, reports that the health of the children and workers was unusually good this year. There were no epidemics, no alarming serious illness, and no deaths among the children. The work among the white people in the community has increased. The number of cases treated by Dr. Scott was 1543. This does not include

those receiving care in the hospital. Mention is made of generous gifts from kind friends. Especial reference is made to Billings Congregaton, which is the nearest congregation of our people to the Mission, which in many ways has manifested an interest in the hospital work.

Mr. Carithers makes mention in his report of the "well directed work of Prof. and Mrs. Coleman," who were at the Mission during the summer, and of the "good and faithful help rendered by Miss Minnie Barron, Miss Clara Wylie and Mr. Robert Huey," who visited it for a few weeks. A number of friends encouraged by their presence the workers this year, among whom were Rev. A. I. Robb and Miss Jennie Torrence, of the Mission in China; Miss Maggie Edgar, of the Syrian Mission; Miss Jennie Boyd, of Wilkinsburgh Congregation; Mr. H. C. Calderwood, of East End; Mr. James Arthur, of Pittsburgh, and Mr. and Mrs. Scott, of Beaver Falls.

"The words spoken last year in regard to my appreciation of the cordial help rendered by the workers," Mr. Carithers writes, "I might repeat of the year closing. Their work was done heartily as unto the Lord and in our meetings for counsel and prayers our fellowship was helpful. We close the year with thankfulness to God for His mercies and for the opportunities to work for Him and for the work we see Him doing in the hearts of those around us."

1904.			
May 1.	Balance on hand		$2,212 04
1905.			
April 20.	Receipts	$4,672 90	
	Dividends	63 75	4,736 65
			$6,948 69
	Expenses		6,123 18
May 1.	Balance on hand		$825 51

We ask for this Mission, $5,000.00.

CHINESE HOME MISSION.

Rev. Isaiah Faris has continued in charge of this Mission during the year. The work has been carried on without interruption and with reasonable success. The enrollment of scholars was thirty. There are seventeen Chinese connected with the Mission, an increase of eight who were baptized, and eight whites, an increase of four. At the communion held on the 23rd. of April, there were twelve Chinese and nine whites, making a total of twenty-one who communed, Mr. Faris will have charge of the work during the coming year.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$1,005 02
1905.			
April 30.	Receipts	$299 05	
	Dividends	540 72	839 77
			1,844 79
April 30.	Expenditures		1,264 00
May 1.	Balance		$580 79

We ask for this Mission, $1,000.00.

JEWISH MISSION.

The monthly remittances were sent to the treasurer of this Mission.

1904.			
May 1.	Balance		$139 10
1905.			
April 30.	Receipts	$1,435 42	1,435 42
			1,574 52
April 30.	Expenditures		1,405 00
May 1.	Balance		$169 52

Messrs. D. McAllister and J. W. Sproull were appointed to represent the Board on the floor of Synod.

J. W. SPROULL, *Chairman.*
A. C. COULTER, *Secretary.*
W. J. COLEMAN, *Cor. Secretary.*

REPORT OF THE JEWISH MISSION BOARD.

The Board of Jewish Missions respectfully reports that it reorganized after last meeting of Synod by electing Dr. J. C. McFeeters, Chairman; T. P. Stevenson, Secy., and S. A. S. Metheny, Treasurer.

Further efforts to induce the Rev. Moses Greenberg to reconsider his resignation failed and he finally left the work of the Mission, October 1st., 1904. The Board meanwhile tendered the position of missionary to the Jews in Philadelphia to the Rev, George M. Robb, pastor in Syracuse. After full consideration and personal examination of the field, Mr. Robb accepted the appointment and entered on the work, October 1st. Since that time Mr. Robb has prosecuted the work with great diligence and with admirable judgment and prudence. Preaching has been maintained on the evenings of the Sabbath. Sabbath-school on Sabbath afternoons, and sewing-school twice in the week. The dispensary has been open twice in the week, with the regular services of Dr. Alexander Caldwell. A reading room has been opened and furnished with newspapers and journals from foreign countries in the languages which are known to the Jewish people. The funds for this purpose have been secured largely by individual contributions.

Miss Cora E. Miller was appointed assistant teacher and visitor in the schools, beginning work April 1st.

The Board has earnestly sought the services of a Jewish helper, deeming this a quite indispensable factor in the work, on account of the difficulty which an English speaking missionary finds in reaching the people. A Mr. Feuersohn is at present employed temporarily in this way, and conducts services during the absence of the missionary.

There has been a constant and abundant distribution of literature, and the bulk window in front of the Mission is filled with open Bibles and New Testaments, which are read by numbers of people who pause for the purpose at all hours of the day.

The Board earnestly asks for the sum of $3,300 during the coming year to meet these requirements of the work.

J. C. MCFEETERS, *Chairman.*
T. P. STEVENSON, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF MISSION CONFERENCE.

The Mission Conference, consisting of the members of the Central Board of Missions and a representative from each of the Presbyteries, met according to appointment of Synod in the Reformed Presbyterian Church, New Castle, Pa., May 24th, 1905. Three sessions were held. The needs of the congregations applying for assistance were carefully considered. The Conference agreed to recommend thirty-eight (38) congregations to Synod to the amount of $12,045. They are itemized as follows:

COLORADO PRESBYTERY.

For Denver, $7.50 a day	$390 00
For Los Angeles	650 00
For Santa Ana	400 00
For Canon City	350 00
For La Junta	200 00
	$1,990 00

ILLINOIS PRESBYTERY.

For Selma	$400 00
For Staunton	300 00
For St. Louis	550 00
For Coulterville, for supplies	150 00
For Coulterville, in case of settlement	300 00
	$1,500,00 or $1,650 00

OHIO PRESBYTERY.

For New Concord	$200 00

VERMONT PRESBYTERY.

For Ryegate	$75 00
Or a sum equal to that which the congregation raises.	

NEW YORK PRESBYTERY.

For Bovina, in case of settlement	$200 00
For Brooklyn, in case of settlement	200 00
For Cambridge, in case of settlement	400 00
For Kortright	200 00
	$1,000 00

LAKES PRESBYTERY.

For Belle Centre	$400 00
For Bellefontaine	350 00
For Cedarville	200 00
For Fair Grove	300 00
For Hetherton	400 00
	$1,650 00

PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERY.

For McKeesport	$500 00
For Youngstown	450 00
For Bear Run and Mahoning	100 00
For Clarksburg	140 00
	$1,190 00

ROCHESTER PRESBYTERY.

For Lisbon, for supplies	$150 00

IOWA PRESBYTERY.

For Chicago	$600 00
For Vernon	150 00
For Hickery Grove	150 00
	$900 00

KANSAS PRESBYTERY.

For Wahoo	$300 00
For Tabor	300 00
For Quinter, a sum not to exceed	200 00
For Holmwood, a sum not to exceed	350 00
For Denison	150 00
For Topeka, for supplies	400 00
For Topeka, in case of settlement	500 00
For Billings	330 00
For Superior	300 00
	$2,330.00 or $2,430 00

N. B. & N. S. PRESBYTERY.

For Cornwallis	$500 00
For St. John	200 00
For Barnesville, for supplies, for extra service, after having themselves raised $160.00	140 00
	$840 00
Total	$12,045 00

Or $2,140.00 more than was appropriated last year.

GEORGE A. EDGAR, *Chairman.*
R. C. REED, *Clerk.*

Synod adjourned with prayer by D. C. Mathews.

MORNING SESSION.

Same place, Wednesday, May 31st, 9 A. M., Synod met and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator *pro tem.*

Roll-call was omitted. The minutes were read and approved.

The following was adopted:

WHEREAS, There is a growing tendency in Protestant Churches, and to some extent in our own, to observe days and ceremonies, as Christmas and Easter, that are without divine authority; we urge our people to abstain from all such customs as are popish in their origin and injurious as lending sacredness to rites that come from paganism; that ministers keep before the minds of the people that only institutions that are Scriptural and of Divine appointment should be used in the worship of God.

J. S. Tibby was elected a member of the Central Board of Missions.

It was resolved that all speeches be limited to three minutes.

The Committee on the Sabbath reported. The report was received and adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT ON THE SABBATH.

The Scriptures teach that the "Sabbath is a sign between God and the children of Israel forever; for in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day he rested and was refreshed."

This sign was recognized by Israel from generation to generation, and the men of Issachar had an understanding of the times to know what Israel ought to do. The descending obligation from age to age to recognize this divinely appointed sign has reached the Twentieth Century, and is accepted by a great cloud of witnesses, including the entire membership of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, whose constant testimony has always been in favor of observing the Sabbath throughout all generations for a perpetual covenant. With this end in view, let us read the signs of the times and note some encouragements.

A remarkable victory was won when the Louisiana Purchase Exposition was closed on Sabbath, against the demands of the Sunday newspapers, railroads and other Sabbath-breaking institutions. A prominent clergyman in New York said on this subject: "No grander victory for the Sabbath has ever been gained by those who are striving to perpetuate its authority and power and save it from destructive desecration. The effect will be far-reaching and of inestimable value in the defence of righteousness and the promotion of good in our land." The Centennial Exposition in Philadelphia, in 1876, and the Louisiana Purchase Exposition in St. Louis, in 1904, were closed on Sabbath, and the success of these splendid expositions, financially and otherwise, has been attributed largely, if not wholly, to this potent fact, and they stand as perpetual monuments in favor of good citizenship based upon the fundamental divine law of Sabbath observance. A signal victory was won in the Pennsylvania Legislature by the defeat of the strenuous attempt to change the law of 1794.

Testimony from many other countries shows that the movement for Sabbath rest has made decided advances within the last few years. In several, laws have been passed curtailing the hours of toil on the Lord's day. The Canada Lord's Day Alliance, through its Secretary, has been specially active in visiting railway managers throughout the Dominion to urge a decrease of trains on Sabbath; also, it has influenced the Minister of Customs to refuse to provide facilities for excursion steamboats in the harbors of Canada; also, to prevent them landing on that day from other countries, notably from the United States. This Canada society, called "The Lord's Day Alliance," is very active, having two Secretaries in the field, and now has over 300 branches through Ontario and Manitoba. In France the Sunday Popular League is struggling to get back the liberty and other privileges of the day of rest, of which they have been robbed in consequence of the fact that pleasure's holiday Sabbath has led on to greed's workday Sabbath. A recent order assures the closing at noon on Sabbath of smaller post offices to the number of 7,000; in the building industry the workmen are urging their right to Sabbath rest. All classes who are subjected to toil without relaxation are asking for Sabbath rest. In Belgium, within the past year or two, 889 of the trains run on Sabbath have been dispensed with. The purpose of the Government in Holland is to introduce a bill for the better observance of the Lord's day, which will secure to all laborers, even those employed upon the railways, absolute cessation from toil. It calls for the suspension of all business and the closing of such amusements as require the labor of others to constitute the entertainment; so that, if adopted, it will not only shut up the factories and forges, but the theatres and beer-gardens. In London no Sunday newspapers are printed and no drug stores are open on Sabbath, and Sir E. Satow, the British representative, respects the Sabbath and will not receive embassies on the Lord's day. In Germany both the Emperor and the people are turning attention to the building up of the safeguards of the Day of Rest for the cultivation of the mental, moral and religious nature. No wonder, when 59 per cent. of the factories and 77 per cent. of the transportation concerns of that great country allow their employés no respite from continuous seven-day-in-the-week toil. The Mayor of Madrid, in Spain, has set the good example of establishing Sabbath rest in the municipal abattoirs. The royal decree of the King last August almost makes a revolution in that country, not only prohibiting work and traffic on Sabbath after 11 o'clock in the morning, but even prohibiting bull fights except on special occasions. In Switzerland the Federal Council has strictly prohibited the printing of newspapers during the 24 hours of Sabbath. Postal service has been lessened and 400 freight trains suppressed. Recently the Council decided to suppress, at once, cheap Sunday pleasure trains on Sabbath. Great progress has been made in securing for railway employés their rest-day rights. Switzerland, in spite of the influence of the old continental Sunday, has taken a stand far in advance of anything in our own land and has set an example which all might do well to follow. In Italy mass meetings are being held in all important centers for the special purpose of preparing public sentiment for the passage and enforcement of a national Lord's day law. In Vienna, Austria, a city of 2,000,000 inhabitants, there is only one Sunday newspaper printed, and that is issued and sold on Saturday, and the Monday edition is not published until 6 o'clock in the evening, so that no labor is required on Sabbath. In Australia the Sabbath rest is said to be protected more completely than in any other part of the world. The Australian workingman never labors more than 48 to 52 hours a week, for the Saturday half-holiday prevails everywhere in the Colony. Like regulations obtained in New Zealand and in the Transvaal, it is stated officially that no work other than that absolutely necessary for the maintenance of the mines is permitted on Sabbath.

The Railway Passenger Agents' Association of America, at their convention in Old Point Comfort, October 18th, 1904, discussed the subject of excursions on Sabbath. That question was placed on the docket at their own initiative some two months before the convention as a subject of vital interest to the railways. They discussed it from three standpoints. First, the financial, as it had proved a failure financially to some of the railways and was a question with others as to the net gain. Second, the moral point, the demoralization of the employés of the railway to such an extent that they became hardened as to conscientious scruples and did not care anything for life or property when they had to labor seven days in the week, year in and year out. Thus the wrecks caused by men overworked and having little regard for life or property was a great financial loss to the companies. Third, the communities to which the excursions on Sabbath were sent, either mountain or seaside resorts, were greatly demoralized. The standard of morality being lowered thus by excursions on the Lord's day deterred many of the better classes from going the other six days in the week, thus proving an injury to the morals and finances of the communities. The General Passenger Agent of the Southern system declared that the railways must take the stand, and he was in favor of immediate action. The Chicago and Northwestern report that they had not only abandoned excursion trains on Sabbath, but had reduced all freight traffic to a minimum, as also the passenger service, thus giving as many of their men as possible their Sabbath. After thorough ventilation, it was decided to refer the whole matter back to the local and territorial passenger associations for their consideration and action.

All the various Canadian and United States Sabbath Associations, State, Provincial and National, were federated into "The Federation of Sunday Rest Associations of Canada and the United States." This is the first time any such federation has been attempted and the outlook is very hopeful for coöperative work. This action was taken at the World's Sunday Rest Congress at St. Louis, October 11th-14th, 1904. The Undertakers' Congress was held at St. Louis about the same time, and passed, with marked unanimity and great enthusiasm, a resolution asking the Christian ministers and Churches to have no more funerals on Sabbath in this country except in rare cases of emergency. The American Retail Druggists' Congress, held in St. Louis, in 1904, passed a resolution begging the Christian Churches to assist them in closing their drug stores on Sabbath. Our noble President also stands for a holy Sabbath and a pure home. These signs of the times indicate the grave responsibility that rests on the membership of the Church to guide the multitudes that are in the valley of decision in the settlement of this great question according to the fundamental and holy law of Sabbath observance. The great conflict is on, and we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against Spiritual wickedness in high places. Surely we need the whole armor of God and the leadership of the Lord of the Sabbath in order to stand firm and be accorded the victor's crown. The American Sabbath Union, the National Reform Association and the Women's Christian Temperance Union have been successful in the Providence of God in doing a great work, and should receive the grateful encouragement and hearty support of all who are laboring for the Spiritual and temporal welfare of humanity and the upbuilding of the Kingdom of God.

S. J. Crowe,
Louis Meyer,
W. S. Fulton,
J. R. Magee,
W. R. Sterrett.

Committee on Sabbath-schools reported. The report was received and adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SABBATH-SCHOOLS.

The Sabbath-schools of the Covenanter Church seem to present an encouraging report in just about the ratio in which the importance of this feature of the Church's work is recognized. Where the work is recognized as of sufficient importance to receive time and attention, careful planning of its work and diligent preparation for teaching, we find that the results are most encouraging to the congregation. But if the school is treated as if it were expected to run itself, and to require but little time or attention, we are not surprised to get a discouraging report. There is no royal road to success in this work except by the way of the continual, hearty and united effort of pastor, superintendent, teachers and pupils. How to get this coöperation to the point of enthusiasm is a problem not easily solved in some schools, but if it can be done the results will more than repay for the expenditure of effort in its accomplishment. The process of impressing upon the hearts of Sabbath-school workers a sense of the responsibility that rests upon them for the success of the school will vary according to circumstances in every case, but until that is done we cannot hope to obtain the best results.

As an evangelistic agency the Sabbath-school may be made very effective. It affords an opportunity of reaching the unsaved with the gospel in a very personal way. The earnest teacher can make the lesson so very practical in its application that the pupil is brought to a decision by the force of the truth. And the fruits that are gathered every year in some of our schools indicate that this is being done; for while it is very easy to give the credit to any agency toward which we are favorably disposed, where several forces are combined in producing results, and so we might be led to ascribe to the Sabbath-school work which was really done in the home or in the pulpit, this would be likely to be true only with reference to the youth of the Church. When we come to deal with the mission scholar, whose only religious influences are those received while under the instruction of his teacher, we can safely credit his conversion to the faithful instruction received in the Sabbath-school. That there are not many more conversions to be reported from our schools we believe is due not so much to any lack of desire or of honest effort on the part of teachers as it is to a lack of that training which gives skill in dealing with the unconverted. If all schools were blessed with a full corps of trained teachers; or if all pastors or superintendents were adepts in teacher training, the problem would be a simple one; but where neither of these conditions obtain it is a great deal easier to point out the defect than it is to prescribe a remedy.

There is evidence, however, that the Church does not reap the full harvest of her own sowing. In some cases it is evident that young men and young women who have learned the way of life in our Sabbath-schools, when they come to unite with the Church, find their Church home with one of the other denominations. They have never been taught the great truths which underlie our distinctive principles. They have learned of Christ as a Saviour, but they have not learned their obligation to accept Him as the head of the Church, who alone may prescribe her order and worship. They have been taught that Christ is the only Redeemer, but they have not seen that He is the governor among the nations, the source of all authority, and demanding the acceptance of His law as the supreme law of the land. They have seen the importance of faith in Christ, but the obligations involved in loyalty to Him have never been made clear to them. It is not strange, therefore, that they seek their church fellowship

in those churches which do not require so high a standard of life, and we are left to ponder our seemingly fruitless work.

And here again we find that the reason for this lack lies not in an unwillingness of the teachers to teach these truths, but in the lack of a suitable manual of instruction. Synod having decided that the preparation of a catechism on our distinctive principles is impracticable, the teacher is thrown upon his own resources for a method of teaching these great principles. As nearly all teachers depend largely upon current lesson helps for their teaching material, it is at once evident that the failure of the lesson writers to elucidate these truths practically shuts them out of some schools where no distinctively Covenanter literature is used in the preparation of the lesson. Self preservation would seem to demand that our schools be supplied with some attractive form of statement of these great truths which would enable the average teacher to make them a part of the every-day instruction. But even the lack of all these desirable things will not be so keenly felt if we have in all of our schools that burning zeal for the salvation of our pupils which will make us earnest and constant in prayer before God for the grace and strength which will enable us to lead them to the Saviour.

We therefore urge upon all our Sabbath-school workers that they recognize the great importance of this work, and that they seek every opportunity for the enlargement of their efficiency in their service in the Sabbath-school, and especially that they recognize the importance of fervent prayer in their preparation for teaching.

John C. Slater,
P. P. Boyd,
J. C. French.

The report on Secret Societies was taken from the table. The report was amended and adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SECRET SOCIETIES.

The Committee on Secret Societies respectfully reports: Shortly before the close of the year your Committee sent a circular to the different congregations, containing three questions intended to ascertain to what extent, if any, our members are identified with the avowedly secret organizations or with those that are organized for mutual benefit and protection and which claim to be non-secret, and also what is the course of procedure if such connection is ascertained.

Seventy replies were received. Of the remaining congregations from which we have not heard, twenty-four are city.

The replies indicate that our position with reference to the avowedly secret societies is maintained. So far as known, there are no members of such associations in our communion. If there be any, they maintain their connection in such a way as to escape detection. With reference to those labor and benevolent organizations intended to promote the welfare of their members, financially and otherwise, and which are, or claim to be, non-secret, we report that but a very small proportion of our members, according to the replies, belong to any of them. Sessions discourage such connection and advise those of our members who belong to withdraw. The pressure, however, to identify with one or more of these has become so strong that it is hard to be resisted. Unless some change is effected with reference to them, before long it will be very difficult for a workingman or workingwoman to obtain employment who stands aloof from them. This applies not only to the city, but also to some parts of the country.

We recommend that we reaffirm our position as a Church with reference to all secret associations, viz.: That membership in such associations disqualifies for membership in our Church, and we urge pastors to state to their congregations, at least once a year, what is our position and the

reasons for maintaining it, and sessions to be very careful when admitting candidates into the Church to have this condition clearly understood.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. Sproull,
J. S. Thompson,
J. M. Foster,
A. T. Russell,
J. G. McConnell.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

Report irregular. Not received.

Committee on Psalmody reported. The report was received and adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PSALMODY.

As a Church we still maintain our unyielding conviction that the inspired Psalter should be used exclusively in the Divine Service of praise. That it was without a rival under the Old Testament dispensation is scarcely disputed. That it held the same place in the Apostolic Church is equally well sustained.

It is full of the most glowing visions and promises of the Christ. His atonement, mediation and glory are clearly set forth. Their evangelical and devotional character are equally striking. They meet the want of the human soul with suitable expressions of praise under all conditions.

To the soul that delights in communion with God they never grow old. They are the word of Christ in Psalms and Hymns, and Songs of the Holy Spirit. The text by which the advocates of human substitutes would displace the Scripture Psalms is all in favor of the inspired collection, and to any scholar who will investigate, the facts need only to be stated. (The argument has been put so often and so well in these annual reports, that we need only point back to them as our position.) And yet, with all the unquestionable prestige to which the Psalms are entitled, it is sadly true that they are in many places being supplanted by the effusions of modern production. Yet they are the only unsectarian manual of praise, and when the prayer of Christ "that they all may be one" is answered, the Scripture Psalms alone will meet the wants of the United Church.

We hold not to a *version* but to the inspired text in the best version attainable. Hence we still labor to improve translation and poetry and rhythm and music with the living soul by living voice.

Our people are properly slow in adopting changes in so sacred a thing as the Songs of Zion. Good a place as it has served, there is room for improvement in the Scottish Version. Light has been thrown on the Hebrew language. Our English vocabulary has been vastly improved since the days of Rouse. All honor to his noble service. But our hopes are that the version now in preparation, by scholars from various denominations, will be nearer the original text and brighter in poetic beauty than any of its antecedents. God has given His people this treasure in Hebrew poetry. It is our part to give it to the Church and the world in good English verse and melody, that it may, as all other sacrifices, return to God, who gave it, in the sacrifice of praise. Let us not insult the Christ or the Spirit by telling them, either by word or act, that men can make better songs than they.

D. C. Martin,
Wm. C. Paden,
J. M. Wylie.
Andrew J. McFarland.

Committee on Systematic Beneficence reported. The report was received and adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

In preceding reports the positive Scriptural arguments which prove the duty of tithe-paying have been repeatedly set forth. Your Committee wishes to offer two considerations which may serve to enhance the force of the arguments which are more commonly presented.

1. It is not reasonable to suppose that God, in establishing His kingdom among men, would make no definite and regular provision for the material necessities of that kingdom. The institution of the tithe affords such provision; but if the payment of tithes is not binding, the support and advancement of the Kingdom of God is left to the voluntary and precarious provision of free-will offerings. Definite provision has been made for the time needed for the work of the Lord. A seventh part of time has been reserved and set apart for religious uses, with the privilege of making free-will offerings of time over and above this fundamental provision. The principle involved is the same in the one case as in the other. But if there be no corresponding provision for the material needs of Christ's Kingdom, then the Lord deals with us on a different principle in the matter of property and in the matter of time, and on a different principle in the New Testament dispensation from that on which He proceeded under the Old Testament. The reasonableness of the ordinance of the tithe is apparent on antecedent grounds, and the analogy of the Sabbath strongly confirms the Scriptures which speak of it as binding.

2. Our second consideration is that the payment of tithes expresses certain ideas and convictions which are not expressed in free-will offerings. Such offerings are gifts. If we were the absolute owners of our property we could still make gifts to the Lord and to His cause. In such gifts there is no acknowledgment of God as the supreme owner, the possessor of heaven and earth. But the very essence of tithe-paying lies in that acknowledgment. As the keeping of the Sabbath acknowledges God as the author and preserver of life, who has the right to reserve any portion of man's life for His own service, so the payment of tithes acknowledges that all we have is the Lord's, and that all—the portion paid and the portion which remains—is to be used according to His will. Tithes are the acknowledgment that we are only stewards. Free-will offerings make no such acknowledgment. And here we perceive the reason for the deep opposition of the natural man to both the law of the Sabbath and the law of the tithe. They are kindred institutions, special witnesses to the rights of God as the Lord of our lives and the supreme owner of all our possessions. In the paying of tithes, therefore, we render to God a peculiar homage which otherwise would have no appointed expression, and a homage which is vitally related to the spiritual needs of the worshipper and to the interests of the Kingdom of God.

If these views are correct, it follows that tithes are not *given* to God, but *paid*. This payment is an act not of generosity, but of integrity. Liberality begins after tithes have been paid, and to refuse to pay tithes is to decline to acknowledge, in God's appointed way, his paramount ownership and our relation to Him as the stewards of His substance.

We recommend that ministers, elders and teachers, in urging the duty of tithe-paying, set forth carefully these underlying principles which show its spiritual meaning and uphold its obligation.

T. P. Stevenson,
H. H. George,
D. B. Willson.

Committee on Theological Seminary and Education reported. Representatives of the Board of Trustees of Geneva College were heard, pressing the needs of that institution. The report was received and adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AND EDUCATION.

The Committee on Theological Seminary and Education would respectfully report:

The reports referred to us indicate the good condition of the Theological Seminary and Geneva College.

The increase of attendance in the Theological Seminary indicates the rising interest in the active work of the Lord.

The attendance also indicates that the young men looking to the Ministry are in our own Theological Seminary, and we believe this the proper course for them to take.

We desire to emphasize our conviction that the young men of the Church who turn their lives in this channel are wise, and that for earnest workers there is always room and good opportunities, and no one who desires to give faithful service need shrink from entering the ministry under the mistaken statement that the field is crowded.

Geneva College is in a very healthful condition, as appeared from the reports submitted to Synod.

The work done in the College ranks high. The religious life of the students is excellent, and everything in the life of the College shows that it is a safe and competent institution, where the youth of the Church may be educated without incurring the moral risks incident to attendance on many of the institutions of learning in our country. We commend the Faculty of the College for its wise and efficient management and instruction, and reccommend to the youth of the Church this College as eminently worthy of their patronage.

It is a matter of regret that the Church at large does not patronize the College to the extent it should.

The College has not the financial support necessary to the most efficient work, and we earnestly commend it to the liberality of the Church.

That students may be trained as they should be, good order must prevail and studious habits and good character must be cultivated among them, to this end discipline is necessary, and has a salutary effect where exercised kindly and firmly.

We recommend the reëlection of Messrs. R. M. Sommerville, J. W. Sproull and John R. Steele to the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary, and that Walter T. Miller be reappointed Synodical Member of the Board of Corporators of Geneva College.

W. W. Carithers,
G. M. Robb,
R. A. Blair,
Henry Hogg,
M. G. Euwer.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENTS OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

To the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church:

The Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary respectfully reports:

The Board met in Seminary Hall on April 25th, 9 A. M., and adjourned the following afternoon.

Thirteen students were in attendance, three more than during the previous year, viz.:

Third Year.—William Henry George, George Nesbit Greer, James Guthrie McElhinney and William Walter Wilson.

Second Year.—William James McCullough.

First Year.—John Coleman, William Otis Ferguson, Ernest Chalmers Mitchell, S. Melville Morrow, William Melville Robb, Augustus Theodore Smith, David Raymond Taggart and Alva Allison Wylie.

The attendance was exceptionally good, three of the students not having missed one recitation and none more than eleven. There was but little sickness, the professors and students with but few exceptions having enjoyed excellent health during the session.

Oral examinations were conducted by the professors in New Testament and Church History. Examination papers on the other studies were submitted to the Board for inspection.

Discourses were delivered by all the students. These and the examinations were heartily sustained.

Instruction in elocution was given by Professor Sleeth.

Diplomas were given to the students of the third year, and a certificate to his Presbytery to the student of the second year.

The reports of the professors were published in connection with an account of the closing exercises.

The term for which Messrs. R. M. Sommerville, J. W. Sproull and Elder John R. Steele were elected has expired. Their successors should be elected.

We ask for an appropriation for this fund of $1,500.

Respectfully submitted,

T. P. Stevenson, *Chairman.*
J. W. Sproull, *Seretary.*

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CORPORATORS OF GENEVA COLLEGE.

The Board of Corporators of Geneva College would respectfully refer to the report of Board of Trustees, which will be read by its Secretary, and to which we ask the careful consideration of Synod, for full information as to the condition of the College and for suggestions as to the action which ought to be taken in its behalf.

We ask that a collection be ordered, and that the congregations be urged to contribute their full quota of $2,500.00 to meet the pressing needs of the College.

The time for which Walter T. Miller was chosen Synodical Member of this Board has expired, and his successor should be chosen by this Synod.

Dr. J. C. McFeeters has been appointed to speak for this Board on the floor of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

T. P. Stevenson, *President.*
A. Kilpatrick, *Clerk Pro Tem.*

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF GENEVA COLLEGE.

To the Board of Corporators of Geneva College:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Trustees of Geneva College respectfully reports:

The College opened on the 29th day of August, 1904, and continued, with the usual brief vacations, until the 25th of May, 1905.

With few interruptions the members of the Faculty were able to perform their labors through the school year. On the 1st of October Miss Grace P. Morehead offered her resignation of the Department of German and French. The Board bears testimony to the efficiency and fidelity of Miss Morehead during the entire time of her connection with the College. Miss Adelaide O. Brierly, of New Brighton, Pa., was elected to fill her unexpired time for the year. She is a graduate of Mount Holyoke Seminary, Mass., and has taught for some years in different high schools in Pennsylvania and New York. She performed her labors with care and rendered good satisfaction. The Board elected her for the same place for next year.

Professor S. S. Smith has been elected as permanent Professor of Natural Science, and Professor H. W. Leech has been elected to the permanent charge of the Preparatory Department. These gentlemen both maintained the favorable reputation which we mentioned last year.

Professor Coleman has asked leave of absence for next year, in order that he may prosecute study in one of the higher institutions of learning. The Board granted his request on condition that the Faculty can arrange for his classes.

The number of students in attendance was not quite so large as last year. The total number enrolled in all departments, however, reached 204.

The graduating class contains the names of 27 pupils; 13 of these are on the Classical roll; 7 have completed the Scientific course, which now requires equal time with the Classical course; 5 are graduates in music and 2 in oratory. At least four of these graduates, and probably a number more, will enter the ministry.

For the most part the conduct of the students has been up to the standard. In all colleges it is necessary at times to maintain good order by discipline, and there are periods when it is more difficult to control the spirit of young people than it is at other periods.

The general spirit of the students has been good. Dr. Johnston reports that the religious status of the students was never better than at present. The interest manifested in the College prayer meeting, the Young Men's and the Young Women's Christian Association, and in the class that meets weekly for the study of missions, which we mentioned in our last report, continues and is becoming more marked.

Bible study and recitation are required weekly of all the students during the entire College course. Students who come from a distance and reside on College Hill are required to attend Church and Sabbath-school each Lord's day.

During the month of October a convention was held in the College Chapel, in the interest of the position of the Church in the matter of separation from Unchristian Civil Governments, and the students were invited to attend. Rev. T. H. Acheson spoke before the students, with great acceptance, on the subject of National Reform.

Twice each month during the winter a man of ability has been secured to give a lecture on some subject of interest. These lectures have been without charge and open to all.

In every way the effort is made to surround the students with such influences as will help to build Christian character and as will prepare for actively taking part in the moral conflicts of the present and of the future.

The library has been well patronized; Professor Kennedy has been assisted in his work as Librarian by the Misses Mary Crozier and Evangeline Matheny. Rev. Henry Easson made contribution of books of value, for which he has the thanks of the College. The state of the library funds did not warrant us to appropriate more than $90 for the use of the library. The entire amount was spent in procuring the usual current literature and in the binding, in book form, of magazines containing articles of permanent value.

Dr. Johnston was greatly hindered in his work in soliciting funds for the College in the autumn by serious trouble with his eyes and in the winter with an attack of la grippe, which rendered him too weak to push the work. He, however, met with encouraging success in securing money on the Memorial scholarship plan. This plan is productive of good in that it assists worthy students with little financial means in securing a college education. He has also been able to secure some funds to meet the expense incurred in the improvement upon the Dormitory building. If your Board received the full amount of money named by Synod to be raised by collections from the Church we would be able to meet all obligations, but only a small part of the outlay has as yet been secured. The Synod appropriates money for the use of the College, but the Church does not contribute the amount asked for. Frequently the collections are about one-fourth of the amount named by Synod. The financial returns from all sources were not as large this year as some other years, and the expenses were heavier. The overdraft on the Treasury has been somewhat increased. In the report of last year we spoke of the imperative need of heating apparatus for the Dormitory. As requested by us and directed by Synod, Synod's Board of Trustees granted a loan of $1,600, the interest on this loan to be paid semi-annually from the current fund, the College having the privilege of paying this loan in $200 payments at the end of each two months or paying it all off at one payment.

President Johnston felt that by making some changes in the building the engine could be placed in the part then used for a kitchen. He thought that there were other imperative improvements, such as the division of the large dining room, so as to afford a kitchen, dining room and reception room, and the erection of a new porch. These improvements were made. The total cost of all the improvements on the Dormitory amounted to $2,500.57. The additional money needed to accomplish this has been furnished for the present by President Johnston. The loan of $1,600 from Synod's Board of Trustees has been decreased $468, leaving a debt of $2,062.57. We hope that President Johnston will receive a hearty response to his appeals for means to liquidate this debt. If the Church, for one year, would contribute the amount asked by Synod, this debt would be lifted. If she would give this amount for six or seven years the College would be lifted out of her present difficulties on the line of finance.

The Dormitory building, as you are aware, was erected for the good of the College and at the suggestion of the Board of Trustees, sanctioned by the Board of Corporators and by Synod. It was erected by a limited partnership stock company. This company borrowed from Synod's Board of Trustees $4,000, and gave a mortgage on the building, this building being on the College grounds.

Some years ago this company ceased to take any interest in the building, neglected to pay the interest on the mortgage, and, by failing to hold any meetings, practically went out of existence. Synod's Board of Trustees appealed to this Board for a settlement of her claims. Your Board thought best to ask the members of the Geneva company, limited, to assign its stock in the building to Synod's Board of Trustees. Many of the stock-

holders were quite willing to comply with our request when it was first made, and we now hope that in a very short time all will surrender their share.

By proper management, the rent of building may yet pay the interest, in part or in whole, upon the mortgage. Some plan may yet be made to meet the accrued interest and the principal of the debt. The interest now nearly equals the original debt.

The College needs an increase to her Endowment Fund of at least $50,000 if she is to prosper in her work. May the God who owns the silver and the gold move the hearts of His people to bestow the necessary funds to carry forward His work.

We ask for a share of the collection taken yearly for the Library Fund.

We also ask that Synod name $2,500 as the amount to be raised by collection for the College for next year.

We thank the Church for her liberality in the past. We hope that this grace may still abound. We wish that pastors would keep before the young people the advantages of receiving their education in Geneva. We would be pleased to see a great increase of students from our own Church.

We make mention, in closing the report, of the goodness of our Covenant God to the College and to all His servants during the past year.

Dr. Johnston was appointed to urge the claims of College on the floor of Synod, and Dr. J. C. McFeeters was requested to assist in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

A. Kilpatrick, *President.*
J. R. Wylie, *Secretary.*

Committee on Nominations reported. The report was received and adopted, and is as follows:

Committee to Examine the Work of the Joint Committee on Revision of the Psalter—D. B. Willson, J. A. Black, T. M. Slater, F. M. Foster, C. D. Trumbull.

Committee on Distribution of Sustentation and Domestic Mission Funds—W. W. Carithers, F. M. Foster, A. J. McFarland, Jr., D. G. McKee, S. A. S. Metheny.

Committee on Railroad Rates—C. D. Trumbull, J. W. Pritchard, J. S. Martin, S. G. Shaw.

Committee on Discipline reported finally. The report was accepted and taken up item by item for adoption. The items were amended and adopted. The report was adopted as a whole, and is as follows:

FINAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DISCIPLINE.

In answer to the communication containing the query, "Can a meeting of Presbytery be constituted where there is but one ministerial member?" we give the following reply:

1. A Presbytery may not be formed without at least two ministerial members.

2. If at any meeting of Presbytery but one ministerial member is present the Presbytery may be regularly constituted, provided, that ruling elders from different congregations are present.

3. If the number of ministerial members of a Presbytery is reduced to one, he, with ruling elders from different congregations, may regularly constitute a meeting of Presbytery.

Respectfully submitted,

R. C. Wylie,
D. C. Faris,
C. McLeod Smith,
Robert Speer,
William Martin.

Committee on Foreign Correspondence reported. The report was received and adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

Your Committee on Foreign Correspondence would respectfully report that a letter from the R. P. Synod in Ireland has been put into our hands.

We recommend that the following letter be sent in reply, signed by all the members of the Committee.

A. J. McFarland,
Samuel Edgar,
H. G. Patterson,
J. D. George,
James Green.

LETTER TO THE SYNOD OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA FROM THE SYNOD OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND.

1st May, 1905.

Dear Brethren:—The Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in Ireland sends you a hearty greeting, assures you of her love for you as fellow-helpers to the truth and faithful witnesses for a Covenanted testimony, desires your welfare and prays for your prosperity in the service of our Lord.

We sorrow with you in losses sustained by your Church at home and abroad during the past year. Four of your most aged servants have been called to enter, almost hand in hand, the valley of the shadow which Christ has filled with light. And one of your youngest workers, who seemed to our eyes to be only learning the art of service, has been deemed worthy to receive the reward and wear the crown. We cannot forbear to mention the name of Dr. Maude George, who, although unknown to us in her own person, was highly esteemed by us for her father's sake and for her work's sake.

In contrast with the breaches made in your ranks our little band of ministers and missionaries has not been touched by death during the past twelve months.

One of the most encouraging facts in regard to our Church at present is the number of our students. During last session of the Theological Hall there were ten students in attendance, and of these, before this reaches you, five may have completed their course and received licence. Alongside of the fact that we may soon have half a dozen or more licentiates —a large number for our Church—we may note that the area of our operations has been extending during recent years. There are now four organized congregations on our list, none of which were on it ten years

ago, and one, which was only a preaching station, has now a minister of its own. It is about eleven years since our Mission to Irish Roman Catholics began, and we have now two colporteurs at work. In the Mission in Syria, carried on by us in conjunction with the R. P. Church in Scotland, there is now a second station, at Alexandretta. We trust that the anticipated increase to our ministerial ranks will enable us to occupy more effectively the widening field of our labours. For these favorable symptoms of our Church life we would render praise to Him who has graciously watched over us, and preserved us alive so long, as a Church witnessing for truth despised indeed of men, but precious in His sight, who for that truth laid down His life.

But, notwithstanding the widening of our field of labour, there is not a corresponding increase in the roll of membership. The struggle for existence consumes too much of our energy. There is little strength left for aggressive effort. Can we account wholly for this state of things by the emigration, which is reducing the population of our island so rapidly, by the depressed state of agriculture, which is our main industry, and by the unpopularity of our cause? We fear we must acknowledge depression in spiritual as well as in temporal things. Would that to know the disease were enough to bring us to the use of the true remedy, confession of our sins and forsaking of them, earnest and faithful performance of duty and specially "effectual fervent prayer."

When we survey the scene where our lot is cast and observe the present currents of ecclesiastical and political life around us, we are convinced that our separate existence is as necessary and our testimony as timely as ever they were. The Church crisis in Scotland has brought the question of the right relation between Church and State prominently before the country. On this subject we have maintained that before an alliance can be made lawfully between the Church and the State, not only must the spiritual liberty and independence of the Church be fully secured, but the State itself must be conformed to the law of Christ and recognize His authority. In desiring such an alliance we have not been so much concerned to plead that the State should bestow endowments on the Church as that she should seek the glory of Christ in her own sphere of action and regulate that action by His Word. For proof we have only to refer to our testimony, our contendings and our sacrifices. As we survey the ecclesiastical situation around us, from the above point of view, we see, with deep concern, the corruptions of the English establishment which the civil power, constituted in opposition to Scripture, seems unwilling or unable to restrain or remove. And with scarcely less concern do we observe that the Free Church of Scotland still fondly clings to the imperfect idea of establishment which prevailed in pre-disruption days, while, on the other hand, the United Free Church has shown little concern for the character of the State, but seems fully bent on securing for herself a spurious so-called spiritual independence, which will consist in the right to hold fast material riches while Scripture doctrines, which are a Church's true riches, may be freely thrown away.

While we grieve to see that innovation in doctrine of the most serious character are affecting Presbyterian Churches in Scotland, and innovations in both doctrine and worship are affecting almost all the Reformed Churches of Great Britain and Ireland, we rejoice that hitherto our Church has presented a united front against all departures from Scriptural doctrine and Scriptural worship.

In the political world the spirit of time-saving and sinful expediency seems more powerful than ever. And except among a few Protestants, most of whom after all are only imperfectly enlightened as to the requirements of a true Protestantism, there is a woeful indifference to the dangers threatening the civil and religious interests of the nation, through the growing political and ecclesiastical influence of Popery open and disguised.

We have abundant work to do for the Kingdom of Christ in this land, and for the nation of which we form a part. Oh, that the Spirit would endue us with courage and power to battle against the giant evils that surround us.

We trust that our brother, Professor Lynd, D.D., will speak face to face with you and thereby supply what is lacking in our letter.

Signed on behalf of Synod,

W. Russell, *Convener of Committee on Foreign Correspondence.*

New Castle, Pa., U. S. A., May 30th, 1905.

To the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in Ireland:

Dear Fathers and Brethren:—Your welcome and interesting letter of date May 1st, 1905, was read in our Synod the first day of our meeting.

At the same time our highly esteemed brother, Rev. Dr. Lynd, a member of your Synod, who is with us at this time, was invited to a seat with us as a consultative member, and in a most pleasing and instructive address told us of your welfare and work. We assure you that the loving regard and deep interest you cherish for us is most heartily reciprocated, and it is our desire that your communications by letter and by the living voice of some of your number may be our annual privilege and refreshment. We greatly appreciate your sympathy with us in the loss of brethren by death during the past year. Five of our ministers, after serving their generation well, have departed to be with Christ. Their names were: Rev. A. W. Johnston, M.D., Rev. H. P. McClurkin, D.D., Rev. John Galbraith, Rev. P. H. Wylie, and Rev. Joseph McCracken.

Our whole Church was suddenly plunged in deep mourning by the unexpected death of Dr. Maud George, our very efficient missionary in China. This sorrow was intensified by the continued severe illness of her brother, Rev. W. McLeod George, who has been seeking relief in the salubrious climate of California and Arizona. We have been pained recently by the sad accident that befell one of our ministers, Rev. T. H. Acheson, in the disastrous railway wreck that took place early in this month near Harrisburg, Pa. He is still in the hospital, and his condition was reported in Synod yesterday as still serious. We held a memorial service for our departed brethren yesterday which was profoundly impressive and edifying. We rejoice with you that you have so many students in your Theological Seminary, and that the number of your congregations is increasing so encouragingly. We are glad to be able to report that, while a few of our congregations have been disorganized, a large number of new congregations have come into existence, and our Theological Seminary amply supplied the demand for pastors. The willingness of our young men to accept calls to young and weak congregations is noteworthy and indicative of their sincere consecration to the Master's service. For some years the roll of our membership has not shown increase, but rather decrease. This has been caused, in great part, by what we called "purging our roll." This year we report a small increase, and our statistics as to membership represents a working force such as cannot be excelled in any equal number of members in any other religious body. Our present meeting of Synod bids fair to outrank the exceptionally fine meeting of last year in all elements that go to make it enjoyable and helpful to the delegates and beneficial to the Church in all her work. As you are aware, we have organized work along many lines. In the Department of Missions we have, for nearly fifty years, labored in Syria and Asia Minor and Cyprus. Recently we entered upon work in China. In the home land we have for long years had prosperous missions among the colored people of Alabama, and among the Indians of Oklahoma, and the Chinese of California. Recently we began work also among the Jews in Philadelphia. The work in all of these missions has borne good fruit, and the Church shows a readiness to meet the growing demands of all these vines which she has planted. Our efforts to

bring about reform in Civil Government are continued with unabated persistence and energy. The objective point we keep in view is the rectification of a wrong public sentiment by the influence of the Spirit of God exerted in connection with the most absolute assertion of "the uttermost truth without qualification" or compromise. We are not without evidence that our efforts are meeting with encouraging success, but we realize that the odds against us are still mountainous. Our hope is in the reigning Lord who can in His wonderful Providence cause the testimony of His witnesses to go forth with reforming and victorious power. We recognize that He "works in all things; all obey His first propulsion from the night," and so we "work and watch," feeling that "the world is gray with morning light." We are thankful that we are not disturbed by any dividing questions. More than ever we are working in accord and without distraction. We cannot say that we have attained to all that we should be and do, but we can say that we are reaching out toward it, and pressing forward to the mark of our high ideal.

Yours in the Lord, and the bonds of the Covenant.

.....*Moderator.*
.....*Clerk.*

Committee on Supplies reported. The report was received, amended and adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SUPPLIES.

Your Committee would respectfully report: We have had to meet the old problem. Sixteen ministers and licentiates have applied for work, and the Presbyteries have asked for the services of ten and one-half laborers. Two Presbyteries, Lakes and Vermont having no vacancies, offered us no laborers and asked for no supplies. We have made them no assignments. We have given full appointments to none of the applicants except the licentiate and the unsettled graduates of this year.

We submit the following schedule:

ALLEN, T. J.—June and July, New York; August-October, N. B. and N. S.; November and December, New York; January, Pittsburgh; March and April, Ohio.

ALLEN, R. C.—June and July, Rochester; August and September, New York; November and December, Iowa; January and February, Philadelphia; April and May, Pittsburgh.

COLEMAN, E. M.—July and August, Kansas; September, Ohio; October and November, Iowa; January and February, Colorado; April and May, Illinois.

CROZIER.—July and August, Philadelphia; September and October, Pittsburgh; January-March, New York; April and May, Rochester.

EASSON.—July and August, Rochester; September-November, New York; December-February, Ohio; April and May, Pittsburgh.

FULTON.—July, Illinois; August and September, Kansas; November and December, Rochester; January and February, New York; March-May, N. B. and N. S.

GEORGE, W. H.—June and July, Kansas; August and September, Colorado; October, Iowa; November and December, Illinois; January, Pittsburgh; February and March, New York; April and May, Rochester.

GREER, G. N.—June, Colorado; July, Kansas; August and September, New York; October and November, Rochester; December and January, Pittsburgh; February and March, Ohio; April and May, Iowa.

JOHNSTON, S. J.—July and August, New York; September and October, Rochester; November and December, Pittsburgh; January, Iowa; February and March, Kansas; April, Colorado.

MCBURNEY, W. J.—December, Iowa; January and February, Kansas.

MCCARTNEY.—July and August, Pittsburgh; October and November, Iowa; January and February, Kansas; March-May, Colorado.

MCCULLOUGH.—June, Kansas; July, Illinois; August, Iowa; September, Ohio; May, New York.

MCFARLAND, W.—June and July, Rochester; August and September, New York; October, Ohio; November and December, Iowa; January and February, Kansas; March, Colorado.

MCKNIGHT, R. J. G.—July-September, N. B. and N. S.; October and November, New York; January and February, Rochester; March, Pittsburgh; April and May, Iowa.

MITCHELL.—June, Pittsburgh; July-May, N. B. and N. S.

SHERMAN.—July and August, Philadelphia; November and December, New York; January-March, Rochester; April and May, Kansas.

THOMPSON, W. T. K.—June, Ohio; July, Iowa; August and September, Kansas; October and November, Rochester; December and January, New York; February and March, Pittsburgh.

WALLACE.—December-February, Rochester; April, New York.

Respectfully submitted,

S. G. SHAW,
W. C. PADEN,
R. J. GAULT,
J. E. DODDS,
R. B. CROCKETT,
Committee.

Moved—That the Committee of Supplies be made an "Interim" Committee, with instructions to make such a distribution of laborers as may from time to time be necessary.

It was resolved that there be two conferences during the next meeting of Synod, one on Evangelistic Work and the other on the State of Religion, and that these be arranged for by the Chairmen of these Committees.

Special Committee on Alliance of Reformed Churches reported. The report was received and adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ALLIANCE OF REFORMED CHURCHES, ETC.

Your Committee to answer letter of Western section of Alliance of Reformed Churches holding the Presbyterian system would respectfully report the following to be sent in reply:

NEW CASTLE, PA., May 29th, 1905.

DEAR BRETHREN:—Your letter to our body, with printed report of meetings of Western section of Alliance, has been duly received and referred to a special committee to formulate reply.

Dr. J. D. Steele, appointed to convey your friendly greetings to the Synod, fulfilled the appointment by letter.

In reference to matters suggested in your letter and printed report we reply as follows:

As to deficiency of candidates for the ministry, we have reason to be thankful that the Lord has up to this date touched the hearts of so many of our young men with a desire for this good work that we have all the ministerial help we can employ. We also find a fair supply of lay helpers—men and women—for our missions.

We are doing our part for the evangelization of the colored people of the South.

Our pastors and sessions generally are active in seeking the salvation of the ignorant among us.

As to the matter of associated membership, we do not feel that with our views on ecclesiastical fellowship we can consistently enter into even the modified plan now proposed.

The Moderator and Clerk of last Synod did not consider themselves warranted by their office to make authoritative arrangements for the John Knox memorial exercise. This meeting of Synod, however, has called the attention of our pastors and congregations to this matter, that the observance may be held during the remainder of the current year. The payment of our quota of the expenses of the Alliance has been referred to the Committee on Finance.

Trusting that much good may result from the associated efforts of the Churches of the Alliance, we hope for abundant success in the future.

Signed by all the members of the Committee.

D. S. Faris,
J. A. Black,
T. M. Slater,
William Martin,
John Kilpatrick.

Committee to review minutes of Syrian Commission reported. The report was received and adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINUTES OF SYRIAN COMMISSION.

The Committee on the Minutes of the Syrian Commission respectfully report:

We have examined said minutes and find in them nothing contrary to the law and order of the Church, except that in the record on page 2 there is a record of the adjournment of the court but no mention that it was by prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

C. D. Trumbull,
M. A. Gault,
A. C. Coulter.

MINUTES OF THE SYRIAN COMMISSION, JUNE, 1904.

Latakia, Syria, June 13th, 1904.

The Syrian Commission met at Latakia, at call of Chairman, on above date at 9 A. M., and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator, Rev. R. J. Dodds.

The following members responded to roll call: Revs. J. S. Stewart, R. J. Dodds and C. A. Dodds. On motion the name of Rev. W. McCarroll was added to the roll, and the names of Rev. J. B. Dodds and Dr. W. M. Moore, who had resigned, stricken off.

For the ensuing year Rev. C. A. Dodds was chosen Moderator and W. McCarroll, Clerk.

Licentiate Dimitriades being present reported progress in his theological studies.

It was moved, and carried, that the Commission is satisfied with the report of Mr. Dimitriades as to his studies and that he is no longer under our care as a student of theology.

It was further agreed, in view of the request of Mr. Dimitriades for ordination, that the Rev. W. McCarroll be appointed to study the subject of the advantage of this step and to carry on whatever correspondence might be helpful to guide to a proper decision on the subject.

On motion it was agreed that Rev. J. S. Stewart be appointed to consult with the missionaries of Antioch and Alexandretta to secure a translation into Arabic of the R. P. Testimony that will be agreeable to the missionaries of both missions, and that especial attention be given to the simplification of the Terms of Communion.

It was moved, and unanimously carried, that the Clerk be instructed to invite the missionaries of the Irish and Scotch Synods to unite with us in a yearly conference, to be held at the time of the meeting of Commission.

Commission then took a recess until 3 P. M.

At 3 o'clock Commission reconvened, the Moderator leading in prayer.

After a helpful devotional meeting, led by the Moderator, three papers were read by members of Commission. The paper by Rev. J. S. Stewart was an interesting account of "The Beirut Preachers' Conference" which he attended. The paper by Rev. W. McCarroll consisted of "Glimpses Into the Life of David Brainerd." Rev. C. A. Dodds ably expounded "What the Missionary Owes to His Position."

Commission took a recess until 7.30 P. M.

At 7.30 P. M. Commission reconvened, W. McCarroll leading in prayer, and listened to a carefully-prepared and well-delivered sermon by Licentiate Dimitriades on 1 Cor. ii:2.

Commission then adjourned to meet in the morning at 9 o'clock.

TUESDAY, 9 A. M.

Commission met, and was constituted with prayer by Rev. R. J. Dodds.

The Clerk reported the case of Mr. Colisides, who had separated from the Greek Orthodox Church and who was now in the employ of the Cyprus Mission as an Evangelist. Rev. W. McCarroll was directed to have Mr. Colisides pursue a course of theological study preparatory to examination at next meeting of Commission.

The Clerk further reported that he had received Rev. A. Aegyptiades, an ordained minister in the employ of the Cyprus Mission, into membership, but as a private member and not as an ordained minister.

It was moved, and carried, that while not repudiating the action of Mr. McCarroll in the reception of Mr. Aegyptiades, an ordained minister, into the Reformed Presbyterian Church, the Commission holds that it means more than a simple reception into private membership and necessarily implies recognition of his ordination and ministerial authority. The Commission, moreover, does not approve the action as orderly, inasmuch as it transcends the authority of the individual missionary and infringes upon the jurisdiction of this Court, which alone is competent to act in such a case.

The Committee on Reprinting the Arabic Psalter reported that an edition of two thousand copies had been printed, at a cost of 7,230 piastres,

or about 3 piastres and 25 paras each. The cost of binding in half leather is 3 piastres and 20 paras per copy.

The report was received, and adopted.

Commission then took a recess until 3 o'clock.

At 3 o'clock Commission reconvened, being opened with devotional exercises, led by Rev. W. McCarroll.

It was moved, and carried, that our next meeting be held in Larnaca, as near as practicable to the 1st of November, 1905, at call of Moderator.

Commission took a recess until 7.30.

At 7.30 Commission reconvened, and listened to the Commission sermon by the retiring Moderator, Rev. R. J. Dodds, who preached from 1 Cor. ix: 19ff.

The minutes were then read, and approved.

Commission adjourned with prayer by Rev. J. S. Stewart.

C. A. Dodds, *Chairman.*
W. McCarroll, *Clerk.*

The following resolutions were adopted:

1. That the funds for the Jewish Mission be transferred by the Treasurer of Synod's Board of Trustees directly to the Treasurer of the Jewish Mission Board.

2. Inasmuch as we are living in eventful times, the Eastern war in progress, the unrest among nations, the many distinct events, the movements of the Churches, the revivals stirring large communities, the progress of the Gospel missions, the expectation of a great awakening by the multitudes; these and many like demonstrations of the power and presence of our glorified Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, are worthy of profound thought, and should lead us to expect still greater and more dreadful manifestations of His purpose to subdue the earth to Himself; therefore,

Resolved, That we urge all our people to be earnestly watchful and prayerful that this Church may be ready for the fuller revelations of the kingly glory of Jesus Christ, and that the Holy Spirit may come down upon us with great power, and upon all the people of God, to prepare for the responsibilities of our times.

3. That the Mission Conference meet in connection with the next Synod at such hour as may be set by the Chairman of the Conference.

4. That the thanks of Synod are hereby given to the Pastor and people of the New Castle congregation for their hospitality, and to

the Reporters of Synod and the newspapers, the *Herald* and the *News*, for their account of the proceedings of Synod, and to the Passenger Association for the special rates granted.

The minutes were read and approved.

Synod adjourned with prayer by J. S. Martin and the singing of the 133d Psalm, to meet in the Reformed Presbyterian Church in Belle Center, Ohio, May 30th, 1906, at 10.30 A. M.

Benediction pronounced by A. Kilpatrick.

W. J. Coleman, *Moderator.*
R. C. Montgomery, *Clerk.*

APPENDIX.

REPORT OF SYNOD'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA.

The Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America, respectfully beg leave to submit their Annual Report for the year ending May 1st. 1905, and in conection therewith, the report of the Treasurer of the Board concerning the financial interests of the Synod for the same period of time.

The reorganization of the Board under the Act of Incorporation for the year ending June 15th, 1905, was effected by the election of A. C. Coulter, as President; Samuel McNaugher, Vice President; Daniel Chesnut, Secretary, and John T. Morton, Treasurer.

The usual meetings of the Board, with special meetings when required, have been held throughout the year, and at these careful consideration has been given to the matters brought to our attention for action.

As to the meetings of the Investment Committee, through which many important matters have to be considered and acted upon between regular meetings of the Board, we would say that these meetings, formal and informal, have been much more frequent in number than usual, occasioned largely by the prolonged illness and inability on the part of our Treasurer to perform the duties of his position, beginning in July of last year. His affliction still continues, and with weakness in bodily powers, confining him almost entirely to the quietude of the home, has been a source of much regret to your Board, on account of which he has had our heartfelt sympathy, joined with our prayers that if it be the will of the Lord, who does all things well, he may in some measure be restored in health or ultimately recovered for years to come of future service in the vineyard of our Lord Master.

Full attention, however, to that part of the work of the Board, usually performed personally by the Treasurer, has, as far as possible, not been overlooked by your Board, being confided to the Investment Committee and carried out and put into execution by the Secretary of the Board. These matters included all special correspondence, arranging for collection of legacies, property repairs, conferences with applicants for loans upon mortgages, attention to legal matters with and in conference with our attorneys and other details usually attended to by the Treasurer, as well as daily visits in number as often as required each day, to the office of the Board.

It is believed that by the arrangement thus recited, the business affairs of the Board, as far as existent circumstances have permitted, have been conducted much as they would have been had the Treasurer been in active service. In connection with these added duties to the ordinary work of the Secretaryship, your Board by resolutions recommend that the Synod, at its present meeting, compensate the Secretary to the extent of three hundred dollars ($300) for extra work during the fiscal year closed.

There were some matters concerning which you gave to this Board special instruction at the last meeting of Synod, and as it is but due to you that you know that your directions have been carried out, we will make mention of these items first, and afterward refer to other and later business connected with the Board.

First.—THAT AS TO THE VACANCIES IN THE BOARD, occasioned by expiration of their term of office; that Messrs. John T. Morton, S McNaugher and J. A. McAteer were informed of their election as members of this Board for a term of three years ending June 15th, 1907, and that they have accepted the positions thus tendered them.

Second.—THAT AS TO THE MRS. SARAH McLANE BEQUEST: In agreement with your instructions per printed Minutes, page 97, item 3 the amount of said bequest was placed to the credit of the Southern Mission Current Account.

Third.—THAT AS TO THE CATHARINE GAMBLE BEQUEST: That your directions in the matter were carried out by placing one-half of the bequest to the Southern Mission Current Account, and the remaining one-half to the current funds of the Indian Mission.

Fourth.—THAT AS TO THE JAMES W. THURSBY BEQUEST: That the sum named in our report of last year in agreement with your instructions has been divided equally between the current accounts named in the will of the decedent.

Fifth.—THAT AS TO THE MRS. MARY H. SLOANE BEQUEST: That the net sum of this bequest of $97.50 agreeing with the will of the decedent and your action thereon, has been placed in the Theological Seminary Endowment Account.

Sixth.—THAT AS TO THE JOHN AND ELIZA JANE COULTER BEQUEST of five hundred and thirty-six dollars and fifty cents ($536.50) has been closed into the account as by you directed per your printed Minutes, page 97, item 7.

Seventh.—THAT AS TO THE CLYDE PROPERTY, being situated in Beaver Co., Pa.: That your Board during the past year carried out your instructions, by making a deed of the property in agreement with our report to you under item 15, per printed Minutes of Synod, 1904, pages 146 and 147.

Eighth.—THAT AS TO THE LOAN TO GENEVA COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES: In reference to your direction "That Synod's Board of Trustees be directed if necessary, to advance the necessary funds as a loan to the College Board, the amount not to exceed sixteen hundred dollars ($1,600)," we make the following report:

A number of legal and other considerations, most of which need not here be recited, came up for deliberation as bearing on the granting this loan out of Trust Funds upon a simple direction of Synod, accompanied, as proposed in this case, with but an ordinary promissory note without bond and mortgage or other substantial security, such as is usually required upon loaning funds of the character named. Among other facts suggesting caution on the part of our Board in this matter, it was brought out that in the interest of this same Dormitory for which the present loan is desired, we already have a loan thereon of four thousand ($4,000) and accrued interest upon the same due and unpaid; this was made years ago to the Geneva Co., Limited, at the instance of the Trustees of the College; that this money has been taken, and the sixteen hundred dollars ($1,600) now asked for necessarily will have to be taken from the Trust Funds received from various legacies, the income therefrom having been contributed for specific purposes, such as the Foreign Missions, Domestic Missions, Southern Missions, Theological Seminary, Aged Ministers' Fund, and other Synodical interests; that as the annual interest on this existent loan has not been paid, that, therefore, the Seminary, Missions named and other schemes of the Church at large are, for want of this payment, made to be the unwilling annual contributors of their own needed income to the College interests.

In view then of what we have stated and other facts, it was considered, as custodian of funds held in trust under the Statutes of Pennsylvania and Court decisions, that we would not be legally justified as acting with ordinary business prudence by directly or indirectly increasing the indebtedness of the College without some formal admission, promise and active effort on the part of the Geneva College Board of Trustees as would look

forward at an early date to such settlement of this claim, so that at least the income from the Invested Funds of the Church will not continue to be impaired. Upon the Secretary of this Board meeting with the College Board of Trustees and reminding them of this matter and of the circumstances and facts concerning the contracting of this debt, the Board of Trustees of Geneva College at once promptly and cheerfully took the matter up for careful consideration and passed the resolution hereinafter recited, and thereupon the new sixteen hundred dollar ($1,600) loan, concerning which you gave direction was granted them. The resolution adopted by the College Board is as follows:

Resolved, "That the Board of Trustees of the College recognizes that the loan of four thousand dollars ($4,000) to the Geneva Company, Limited, for the purpose of erecting the Dormitory, was made at the solicitation of the College Board, and for the interest of the College, and the College Board will do all in its power to secure such settlement that the income from the Invested Funds of the Church will not be impaired."

We have thus given a brief outline as to the four thousand dollars ($4,000) loan, and the action of the College Board of Trustees thereon, so that there shall be made known to you something of this old claim due to us that we may ask you, as we now hereby do, that Synod itself, or in connection with or through the College Board of Trustees, or in such other way as you may prefer, at the present meeting of Synod, take such action as will lead to the payment of the interest upon this old indebtedness and interest thereon to date, referred to at once, and annually hereafter, that thus other Synodical schemes shall not suffer loss by further delay, and that ultimately the principal sum shall also be paid to our Board.

We report the following gifts and bequests, viz.:

Ninth.—THE JOHN A. McKEE BEQUEST: We report as having received from the executor of this estate an additional payment of twenty dollars and fifty-two cents ($20.52); this sum, according to the will of the deceased, is to be applied as follows:

For Home Mission Endowment Acct.	$10 26
For Foreign Mission Endowment Acct.	10 26
Total	$20 52

Tenth.—THE MRS. ESTHER J. GILMORE BEQUEST: We report as having received from the executor of the estate of Mrs. Esther J. Gilmore, late of Cherry Hill Township, Indiana Co., Pennsylvania, the sum of one hundred dollars ($100), less four dollars and sixty-two cents ($4.62), necessary expenses connected with the collection thereof, making a net sum of ninety-five dollars and thirty-eight cents ($95.38). This gift being by will entirely at the disposal of Synod, we recommend that Synod at this meeting give instructions as to what use shall be made of this bequest.

Eleventh.—THE SAMUEL McCOY BEQUEST: We report having received from the Samuel McCoy estate, through Mr. W. S. Elliott, Treasurer of Middle Wheeling Congregation, the sum of one hundred dollars ($100). This gift was originally to the congregation named, but now that the congregation, by the last report to Synod has ceased to be a Mission station, the amount comes to us for the use of Synod, without limitations or instructions. We therefore ask Synod to direct what use we shall make of this gift.

Twelfth.—THE MISS JANE KELLY BEQUEST: We report as having received from the estate of Miss Jane Kelly, deceased, late of Wilkinsburg, Pa., upon a gift of five hundred dollars ($500), less inheritance tax paid thereon, the net sum of four hundred and seventy-five dollars ($475), which sum was afterward supplemented by a gift of twenty-five dollars ($25)

from Miss Rebecca Kelly, a sister of the deceased, to make good the tax paid as aforesaid, thus making the bequest received the full sum of five hundred dollars ($500). This gift, by direction of the deceased, is to be applied as follows:

To the Southern Mission	$100 00
To the Indian Mission	100 00
To the Foreign Mission	300 00
Total	$500 00

The terms of the foregoing gift as made by the decedent are such that the several amounts stated may be used for either Current or Endowment Accounts of the Missions named, the exact disposition thereof we therefore refer to Synod for action.

Thirteenth.—THE JAMES CARLISLE BEQUEST: We report as having received from the estate of James Carlisle, deceased, Philadelphia, Pa., through the Rev. J. C. McFeeters, Executor, the net sum of four thousand dollars ($4,000), which, in agreement with the will of the deceased, we apply as follows, viz.:

For the Foreign Mission Endowment Acct. ("Syria and Asia Minor")	$2,000 00
For "The James and Mary Jane Carlisle Memorial Fund," the income thereon to be for the "Aged Ministers' Relief Fund"	500 00
For the Domestic Mission Endowment	500 00
For "The Freedmen's" Mission Endowment	500 00
For the Indian Mission Endowment	500 00
Total	$4,000 00

Fourteenth.—THE JOHN HUNTER BEQUEST: We report as having received from the estate of John Hunter, deceased, Sterling, N. Y., the sum of six thousand dollars ($6,000), less an inheritance tax and necessary expenses connected therewith of three hundred and one dollars ($301), leaving a net sum of five thousand six hundred and ninety-nine dollars ($5,699), which by direction of the decedent, we have divided into equal parts, and will credit to the following accounts, viz.:

To the Foreign Mission Endowment Acct.	$2,849 50
To the Theological Seminary Endowment Acct.	2,849 50
Total	$5,699 00

In addition to the foregoing gift, owing to a conditional interest of the Synod therein, and that therefore the same shall be a matter of record, we report that a bequest was also made by the will of the decedent, being as follows:

To the Reformed Presbyterian Congregation of Sterling, N. Y., the sum of	$3,000 00

The said three thousand dollars ($3,000) to be invested in bond and mortgage, the interest thereon to be used in payment of pastor's salary, on condition that, *"Should the congregation become disorganized and broken up, then the above-named three thousand dollars ($3,000) to be given to the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, U. S., to be invested by them for the benefit of Foreign Missions."*

Fifteenth.—THE ANDREW ALEXANDER BEQUEST: We report having received from the estate of the late Andrew Alexander, New York, as a partial payment on account of bequests to the Synod as follows, viz.:

For Foreign Mission Current Acct	$2,500 00
For Southern Mission Current Acct	1,000 00
For Indian Mission Current Acct	500 00
For Sustentation Fund Current Acct	2,000 00
Total	$6,000 00

All of which we apply as directed by the will of the decedent.

For more complete information it is due, in connection with the foregoing bequest, to say that the amounts stated hereinbefore are but the first payments on the following legacies, viz.:

For Foreign Mission Current Acct	$25,000 00
For Southern Mission Current Acct	10,000 00
For Indian Mission Current Acct	5,000 00
For Sustentation Fund Current Acct	20,000 00
Total	$60,000 00

The conditions as to settlement of these bequests are that they be fully paid within ten years, and that payments thereon shall not be less than one-tenth of the several amounts named during each year following the death of the decedent.

Sixteenth.—THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY: The report of our Treasurer exhibits the condition and financial wants of the Theological Seminary, and to it you are referred for details. There was less money came in from the various congregations during the past year in response to Synod's appropriation than should have reached the Treasurer. The statistical report of the congregations of the Church, published annually, and found at the close of the Minutes of Synod each year, shows that certain congregations do not, as we believe, contribute as largely as they should do to this cause. There should be some active effort on the part of Synod, when the interests of the Seminary are considered at the present meeting of Synod, to emphasize the duty of congregations toward a largely increased financial support of the Seminary during the ensuing year. The Current Expense Account of the Seminary for the year closed shows an additional increased deficit of seven hundred ninety-nine dollars and ninety-one cents ($799.91), making, at the present time, an overdrawn Treasury to the amount of twelve hundred eighty-nine dollars and ninety-two cents ($1,289.92). This extra sum, in addition to the regular expenses, is in some way to be made up in order that means shall be provided to pay salaries and expenses when due for the year 1905-1906. This institution of the Church is doing indispensable service to our denomination at large.

It is furnishing the men for our various missions at home among the red, the yellow and the black races found in our midst, as well as furnishing the men to proclaim the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ to perishing men in far distant foreign lands, and, what is most important to ourselves, it is furnishing to us, as no other seminary does, Sons of the Prophets thoroughly indoctrinated and equipped for the maintenance of the distinctive position of our profession to take the places of the Fathers and to minister in word and in doctrine in the congregations under your care.

We therefore ask for the Theological Seminary Current Expenses an appropriation, as usual, in amount not less than fifteen hundred dollars ($1,500), the full sum to be actually contributed for the coming year, and that the Church at large shall respond most heartily by its prayers and with its means in support of this, the oldest, though the least financially endowed educational institution of the Church.

Seventeenth.—COLLEGE AND SEMINARY LIBRARY FUNDS: We ask that, as usual, a collection of five hundred dollars ($500) be ordered

to be taken up by the various congregations under your charge for the use of the Theological Seminary Library and the Geneva College Library Funds, and that the amount received in response to this call be equally divided between the two institutions named.

Eighteenth.—THE DAVID GREGG ENDOWMENT ACCOUNT: We report, as a ground for congratulation, that this gift, now invested in mortgages, continues to yield to the Church a larger annual net income than it did at any time in its past history as a real estate investment.

The value of a permanent endowment investment as this is, the income alone of which can be used, is not rightly measured by the shifting, uncertain and at best estimated current values from year to year of the investment itself, but instead thereof, is more correctly valued by the amount of actual annual product in dollars and cents through a series of years. Viewed in this, the correct light, it is plainly manifest that this gift, by a change from that of a real estate to a mortgage investment, has been, and is now, yielding annually to the Church a much larger interest or income than at any former period in the history of this bequest.

It is commonly affirmed that "figures do not lie," and to more vividly present this matter, we do so by way of contrast, taking the figures from the books of our Treasurer. As a basis, we take the last four years under each form of investment, being as follows:

THE LAST FOUR YEARS' NET INCOME FROM REAL ESTATE.

May 1, 1897, to May 1, 1898	$1,282 88
May 1, 1898, to May 1, 1899	4,055 37
May 1, 1899, to May 1, 1900	2,042 85
May 1, 1900, to May 1, 1901	2,963 55
Total	$10,344 65

THE LAST FOUR YEARS' NET INCOME FROM MORTGAGES.

May 1, 1901, to May 1, 1902	$6,963 31
May 1, 1902, to May 1, 1903	7,871 85
May 1, 1903, to May 1, 1904	8,069 25
May 1, 1904, to May 1, 1905	8,047 05
Total	$30,951 46

The comparison, it will be readily noted, shows that the net income by real estate investment, after deducting taxes, insurance, repairs, etc., was so small, comparatively, that the mortgage investment has yielded an annual net income of almost three times more money than was formerly obtained upon this bequest.

We close what we have to say on this subject by reporting that the profits on this investment for the year ending May 1st, of the present year, amounting to eight thousand forty-seven dollars and five cents ($8,047.05), as shown in detail by the Treasurer's report, have been distributed, as directed by terms of the bequest, to Foreign Missions, Domestic Missions, Central Allegheny Congregation and other objects named by the decedent.

Nineteenth.—THE INVESTED FUNDS: The aggregate amount of bonds, mortgages, real estate and other investments, including current accounts and cash held by your Board at the close of the fiscal year, ending May 1st, 1905, was five hundred and thirty-two thousand three hundred sixty-four dollars and sixty-four cents ($532,364.64), showing an increase since our last report of nine thousand seven hundred and sixty-nine dollars and seventy cents ($9,769.70).

There has been added to the accounts of the three following endowments during the year the sum of three thousand eight hundred forty-seven dollars and thirty-four cents ($3,847.34), as follows:

Geneva College Endowment	$3,521 00
Theological Seminary Endowment	276 34
Students' Fund Endowment	50 00
Total	$3,847 34

This statement naturally does not include certain bequests, accounts for which, by the Treasurer's report, show an open balance, and which are referred hereinbefore for Synod to act upon at your present meeting; such items as usual will appear in the accounts to which they shall belong in the report of the year to come.

In addition to the profits of eight thousand forty-seven dollars and five cents ($8,047.05) reported under the caption of the "David Gregg Endowment Account," there has been earned on other endowment accounts a dividend of four and one-quarter (4¼) per cent., amounting to thirteen thousand six hundred and thirteen dollars and eighty-nine cents ($13,613.89), which sum has been credited to the several missions, institutions, etc., of the Church entitled to the same, as more fully set forth in the detailed report of the Treasurer.

Twentieth.—ELECTION OF TRUSTEES: The term for which Messrs. A. B. Copeland, Daniel Chesnut and A. C. Coulter were made members of this Board will expire this year. We therefore ask that at this meeting of Synod their successors be elected for three years, ending June 15th, 1908, or until their successors be regularly chosen, and in this matter we would remind Synod that by legal requirement the election should be by ballot.

Twenty-first.—BOOKS AND ACCOUNTS AUDITED: We report that at a recent meeting of the Board, according to a long-established custom, an auditing committee was appointed, consisting of Messrs. A. C. Coulter and William Blair, to audit the books and accounts of the Treasurer, who report that their work has been attended to, and that in connection therewith there has been exhibited to them the bonds, mortgages and other securities held by your Board, and that they have found the same correct according to the Auditor's report, which you will find attached to the Treasurer's report.

Twenty-second.—DELEGATE TO SYNOD: In pursuance of your action relative to representation of this Board at Synod, we report that A. C. Coulter, with D. Chesnut as alternate, has been chosen to represent the Board at the present meeting of Synod.

Twenty-third.—IN CONCLUSION: In order that certain subjects referred to in this report may be easily found and none of the principal items be overlooked in consideration, we summarize the same as follows:

I. The recommendation of the Board as to extra services, found near the beginning of this report.

II. Some specific plan or arrangement in reference to a settlement of claim and interest recited in item 8. Non-action means an increased amount to be provided for at a future meeting of Synod.

III. What disposition shall be made of the Mrs. Esther J. Gilmore Bequest? (See item 10.)

IV. What use shall be made of the Samuel McCoy Bequest? (See item 11.)

V. Shall the five-hundred-dollar bequest referred to in item 12 be used for Endowment or Current Accounts?

VI. An appropriation to be made for the Theological Seminary expenses. (See item 16.)

VII. A collection to be ordered for the College and Seminary Library Funds. (See item 17.)

VIII. The election of three Trustees by ballot, as recited in item 20.

Respectfully submitted, by order of and as the unanimous report of the Board.

D. CHESNUT, *Secretary.*

Pittsburgh, Pa., May, 1905.

CERTIFICATE.

This is to certify that a meeting of Synod Board of Trustees, held May 18th, 1905, Mr. A. C. Coulter (D. Chesnut as alternate) was chosen to represent the Board at the meeting of Synod to be held in New Castle, Pa., May 24th, 1905, in agreement with the rule of Synod authorizing such appointment.

D. CHESNUT, *Secretary.*

Pittsburgh, Pa., May 18th, 1905.

REPORT OF WOMAN'S BOARD IN CHARGE OF AGED PEOPLE'S HOME.

To the Moderator and Members of Synod:

The Women's Association of the Reformed Presbyterian Church respectfully report that the past year, the eighth in the history of the Aged People's Home, has been a very pleasant and encouraging one.

The Association is growing stronger by the addition of new members from different parts of the Church, showing that the interest in the Home is not merely local but general. Nine Congregations are represented on the Board of Managers and Directors, some of whom attend the meetings at considerable sacrifice.

We have held twenty-four meetings in the interest of the Home, four regular and one special meeting of the Association, six Directors' and thirteen Managers' meetings. The permanent committees have attended faithfully to their duties.

Prayer-meetings were held regularly each Wednesday evening and preaching twelve Sabbaths. A carriage was provided to convey the members of the Home to church one or two Sabbaths each month during pleasant weather.

Our Matron and her helper have continued with us and are both capable and kind.

There are seventeen members in the Home at present, all well pleased with the Home. The following persons have been admitted during the year: Miss Mary Shanks, of Allegheny; Mrs. Mary A. Stewart, of McKeesport, Pa.; Mrs. Margaret McCormic, of Sparta, Ill.; Miss Nancy Forsythe, of New Concord, Ohio; Mrs. Mary Aiten, of York, N. Y., and Mr. Robert Turner, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

The Annex, consisting of eight rooms and bath, has been completed and furnished and all bills paid. Seven of these rooms are now occupied.

The health of the members of the Home has been remarkably good, and the number unbroken by death.

The physicians have been faithful in their services, which have been given gratuitously.

We desire to express our appreciation of the endorsement of the Church in former years in providing for Congregational Collections for the support of the Home, and we again ask for an appropriation of one thousand dollars, which we will need more than ever, as the number of members has been increased.

The amount received from the Congregational Collections during the year was $357.38.

Our financial report has been sent by the Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. J. WARD, *Recording Secretary.*

STATISTICS OF THE PRESBYTERIES FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1905

COLORADO

CONGREGATIONS	MINISTERS	ADDRESS	Elders	Deacons	Increase in Membership	Decrease in Membership	Communicants	Baptisms	Sabbath School Attendance	Young People's Society Attend.	CONTRIBUTIONS: Syrian Mission	Mission in China	Home Mission	Southern Mission	Indian Mission	Jewish Mission	Theological Seminary	Sustentation	Church Erection	National Reform	Testimony Bearing	Aged Ministers' Fund	Widows' and Orphans' Fund	Salary Paid by Congregation	Miscellaneous	Total
Evans	J. M. Wylie	Evans, Colo.	5	5	14	6	102	3	100	50	149	364	40	24	26	24	6	17	16	101	15	12	11	1,00	457	2,262
Denver		A.F.Acheson, 326 S.Logan Av., Denver, Col	...	..	3	5	45	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
La Junta	‡S. Edgar	La Junta, Colo.	5	3	18	10	60	*7	75	25	79	38	23	16	19	8	10	19	36	29	13	5	7	500	400	1,202
Seattle	T. M. Slater	1805 Bellevue Ave., Seattle, Wash.	4	6	11	6	70	4	155	35	50	38	5	10	5	5	....	35	35	.....	27	2	3	900	371	1,486
Canon City	H. B. McMillan	209 Cottonwood Ave , Canon City, Colo.	2	3	3	3	17	..	31	...	4	14	4	4	4	4	.....	3	2	3	4	...	...	103	15	164
Los Angeles	P. J. McDonald	1020 E. Washington St., Los Angeles, Cal.	2	2	17	...	41	..	46	22	34	68	.....	25	.....	...	4	...	382	.....	...	3	...	450	202	1,168
Oakland, M. S.	Isaiah Faris, S. S.	123 Melrose Ave , Seattle, Wash.	...	..	8	...	17	†8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	.....	181	181
.....	J. M. Armour	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
.....	J. K. Robb	Tak Hung Chan, China	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
.....	J. T. Wilson	Canon City, Colo.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
.....	T. H. Acheson	510 S. Pearl St., Denver, Colo.	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
No. of Congregations, 6.	No. of Ministers, 9.	Totals,	18	19	74	39	355	22	407	132	316	522	72	79	54	41	20	74	471	133	59	22	21	2,953	1,626	6,163

* Adults, 5 † Adults, 8. ‡ Ordained since last meeting.

ILLINOIS

Princeton	D. C. Mathews	E. State St., Princeton, Ind.	4	4	4	7	66	*2	50	20	109	57	23	27	29	24	10	11	121	11	12	7	6	a700	221	1371
Bloomington	G. Renwick Steele	503 E. Third St.	5	4	19	4	105	†6	200	25	354	290	172	148	118	67	5	7	336	15	114	7	9	800	471	2913
Old Bethel	E. A. Crooks	Houston, Ill.	5	5	2	12	135	1	100	25	155	80	57	26	47	14	8	7	9	35	17	7	6	750	222	1420
Staunton	G. W. Benn	Staunton, Ill.	2	2	2	4	27	..	25	...	32	12	15	9	10	7	2	10	5	14	7	3	4	500	1475	2105
Oakdale	J. C. French	Oakdale, Ill.	7	6	7	10	184	7	210	35	45	23	27	59	39	23	11	10	52	85	11	8	6	900	240	1539
Churchhill	.....	R. K. Wiseley, Coulterville, Ill.	4	6	1	5	62	1	20	6	5	.....	.....	26	10	...	.....	..	28	4	...	...	...	.....	437	510

ILLINOIS—*Continued*

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St. Louis	McLeod M. Pearce	4630 Page Ave	3	4	5	9	44	4	65	12	42	15	8	10	7	5	3	13	10	31	6	7	...	686	1369	2212
Bethel	D. S Faris	Sparta, Ill	4	3	0	4	52	0	20	13	80	18	11	13	14	9	3	10	13	7	6	5	6	500	161	856
Selma	S. F. Kingston	411 Union St., Selma, Ala	5	3	9	1	91	0	112	0	....	5	.....	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	400	91	496
.....	J. G. Reed	Selma, Ala	...	..	...	...	.....	..	.....	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No of Congregations, 9	No. of Ministers, 9	Totals,	39	37	49	56	766	21	802	136	822	500	313	318	274	149	42	68	571	205	173	44	37	5,236	4,687	13,442

* 1 adult. † 2 adults. a free mance.

IOWA

Chicago	Robert Clarke	686 East 65th St	4	1	14	1	55	2	118	30	100	....	.....	...	.....	...	.....	...	1,647	5	...	...	...	400	1,312	3,464
Hickory Grove	.....	D C. Nichol, Albia, Iowa	3	2	.....	...	27	2	50	...	18	5	4	4	7	3	5	4	....	7	3	2	4	.....	228	294
Hopkinton	Louis Meyer	Hopkinton, Iowa	3	5	21	17	122	a7	101	39	256	46	29	22	23	22	b1,112	12	80	20	8	5	6	c943	254	2,838
Lake Reno	J. R. W. Stevenson	Glenwood, Minn., R. F. D., No. 1	4	5	7	1	96	3	101	...	160	56	15	11	9	5	5	4	7	32	3	11	1	600	409	1,328
Morning Sun	C. D. Trumbull	Morning Sun, Iowa	8	4	4	9	158	3	142	39	284	147	117	140	147	74	30	39	458	59	25	11	12	1,016	598	3,157
Rehoboth	J. A. Black	Wyman, Iowa	4	3	7	3	45	a2	40	15	156	45	57	38	64	10	7	10	5	30	3	8	6	500	134	1,073
Sharon	J. S. McGaw	Linton, Iowa	7	4	7	22	202	10	160	37	355	151	32	115	56	35	19	14	250	47	21	10	13	1,000	1,494	3,612
Vernon	.....	E 1. Dewey, 222 Maple Av, Waukesha, Wis.	3	3	...	5	41	1	.....	...	62	21	19	17	21	10	7	5	.....	10	13	5	4	.....	480	674
Washington	W. C. Allen	Washington, Iowa	3	3	5	1	71	..	50	25	68	27	12	38	17	...	7	7	2,224	26	...	7	4	688	232	3,357
.....	Isaiah Faris	Oakland, Cal	...	..	...	...	.....	..	.....	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	J. M. Littlejohn	286 Warren Ave , Chicago, Ill	...	..	...	...	.....	..	.....	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	W. T. K. Thompson	Canonsburg, Pa	...	..	...	...	.....	..	.....	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. of Congregations, 9	No. of Ministers.... 10	Total,	39	30	65	59	817	30	762	185	1,459	498	285	385	344	159	1,192	95	4,671	236	76	59	50	5,147	5,141	19,797

a One adult. b $1,100 College Endowment. c Present of $70

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											Syrian Mission	Mission in China	Home Mission	Southern Mission	Indian Mission	Jewish Mission	Theological Seminary	Sustentation	Church Erection	National Reform	Testimony Bearing	Aged Ministers' Fund	Widows' and Orphans' Fund	Salary Paid by Congregation	Miscellaneous	Total
Beulah		Adam Walkinshaw, Bostwick, Neb.	5	3	6	2	d107	4	100	20	11	8	24	41	11	3	4	5	3	5	4	5	3	730	b1,288	2,145
Billings	W. C. Paden, S. S.	Billings, O. T.	5	4	4	...	e 55	6	70	25	41	32	29	9	24	8	5	9	10	15	7	4	2	475	202	872
Cache Creek	W. W. Carithers, S. S.	Apache, O. T.	2	2	19	7	84	i18	174	...	30	45	25	18	.....	5	5	17	a 786	10	12	3	2	188	43	1,189
Clarinda	J. W. Dill.	Clarinda, Iowa.	5	4	12	12	176	j9	200	50	193	123	52	145	69	19	12	30	232	30	23	13	13	800	608	2,362
Denison	*D. H. Elliott	Denison, Kas.	3	3	18	8	88	4	82	25	49	26	7	11	19	6	9	5	6	17	7	4	3	600	450	1,219
Eskridge	James McCune	Eskridge, Kas.	6	3	14	6	92	6	100	...	70	63	9	19	53	7	6	6	4	10	6	1	4	540	373	1,171
Hebron		Ambrose Copeland, Idana, Kas.	2	2	5	5	70	...	70	...	29	66	....	11	12	22	.....	6	124	12	5	...	...	225	250	762
Holmwood	Robt A. Paden	Mankato, Kas.	3	4	...	...	42	1	40	...	8	7	4	...	4	9	2	...	5	6	3	2	...	241	62	353
Kansas City	Andrew J. McFarland	3118 Campbell St., Kansas City, Mo.	5	3	8	4	58	j3	60	32	49	18	10	42	8	7	3	12	25	12	9	2	4	738	350	1,289
Long Branch	J. M. Johnston	Blanchard, Iowa	6	3	12	10	f141	6	120	20	164	82	68	60	31	23	45	22	22	29	20	11	12	800	381	1,770
Olathe	G. A. Edgar	Olathe, Kas.	5	6	5	13	150	5	135	15	177	392	29	35	36	18	....	...	893	55	10	13	12	800	556	3,026
Quinter	G. R. McBurney, S. S.	Quinter, Kas.	3	4	5	3	53	4	50	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	225	.....	225
Sterling	J. Boggs Dodds	Sterling, Kas.	4	3	2	5	85	4	90	25	210	101	29	37	20	26	31	15	139	30	13	8	7	800	301	1,767
Superior		William Elliott, Superior, Neb.	4	1	4	14	g 37	1	30	10	24	28	.....	4	9	3	4	8	4	6	6	1	2	336	115	559
Tabor	S. E. Greer	Miltonvale, Kas.	4	5	12	5	57	5	48	20	25	17	13	9	16	4	3	6	49	8	...	2	4	400	172	728
Topeka	W. W. Wilson, P. E.	Topeka, Kas.	2	...	...	9	35	...	.....	...	3	5	1	...	4	...	.....	1	1	9	1	1	...	.....	c 545	571
Wahoo	M. A. Gault	Wahoo, Neb.	2	2	...	...	g 34	2	40	12	14	32	5	2	6	...	8	...	80	5	5	3	4	300	182	646
Winchester	D. H. Coulter	Winchester, Kas.	5	4	21	2	222	2	165	74	210	96	38	44	51	16	17	63	27	41	16	11	9	847	429	1,915
.....	J. Ralston Wylie	College Springs, Iowa	...	...	...	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	E. M. Coleman	Topeka, Kas	...	...	...	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	W. S. Fulton	Idana, Kas	...	...	...	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	S. J. Johnston		...	...	...	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. of Congregations, 18	No. of Ministers, 18	Totals,	71	56	147	105	1,589	80	1,574	328	1,307	1,141	352	487	373	176	154	205	2,410	300	147	84	81	9,045	6,307	22,569

*Ordained since last Synod. a Addition to church, $767. b For parsonage, $1,150. c For parsonage, $230. Discrepancies in last year's report—d 8; e 4; f 6; g 8. i Adults, 8. j Adults, 1 P. E. Pastor-elect.

LAKES

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Belle Center	*S. G. Shaw	Belle Center, O.	3	..	6	1	37	1	30	...	54	20	24	11	11	6	11	9	231	3	2	3	3	594	27	1,069
Bellefontaine	J. M. Faris, S. S.	109 Park St., Bellefontaine, O.	3	..	1	1	36	2	24	...	38	19	12	11	8	8	8	12	13	8	9	4	4	311	125	590
Cedar Lake	C. McLeod Smith	Ray, Ind.	4	4	3	3	131	3	105	30	113	18	27	36	29	7	6	9	297	117	5	5	...	800	308	1,777
Cedarville	W. J. Sanderson	Cedarville, O.	3	3	5	2	48	..	45	12	68	20	26	13	17	8	8	18	16	11	14	6	7	450	182	864
Cincinnati	D. O. Jack	424 Hopkins St, Cincinnati, O.	3	4	...	2	49	..	60	16	57	40	9	16	7	...	4	8	100	9	8	4	9	1,000	405	1,676
Fairgrove	T. C. Sproull	Fairgrove, Mich.	3	3	1	9	45	1	60	.	20	10	9	6	7	...	.....	.....	.....	5	...	5	5	200	120	387
Hetherton	E. G. Elsey	Hetherton, Mich.	3	3	...	5	55	2	80	40	20	8	4	5	5	2	1	21	2	5	1	2	2	393	152	623
Southfield	†H. G. Patterson	Birmingham, Mich	4	4	...	7	80	2	75	20	76	7	36	25	12	11	8	7	28	10	5	6	6	483	140	860
United Miami	R. Hargrave	R. F. D. No. 4. Bellefontaine, O.	7	6	6	5	132	‡5	106	70	121	75	52	56	61	24	12	22	34	18	18	7	9	800	309	1,625
No of Congregations, 9	No. of Ministers, 9	Totals,	33	27	22	35	613	16	585	188	579	217	203	179	157	66	58	106	721	186	62	42	45	5,031	1,768	9,411

*Pastor Elect. †Ordained since last meeting of Synod. ‡Adult, 1.

NEW BRUNSWICK AND NOVA SCOTIA

St. John	.....	R A H. Morrow, 59 Garden St., St. John, N B	3	.	3	3	28	..	.....	...	38	14	10	5	10	4	2	1	1	.....	1	1	1	600	318	1,006
Barnesville	.....	Wm. J Curry, Barnesville, N. B.	3	5	2	2	28	..	30	...	.....	3	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	105	.....	.....	...	...	*176	25	313
Cornwallis	Thomas McFall	Somerset, Nova Scotia	3	..	...	1	70	1	25	...	62	5	10	5	5	4	4	2	....	1	1	5	5	300	15	424
No. of Congregations, 3.	No. of Ministers, 1.	Totals,	9	5	5	6	126	1	55	0	100	22	20	14	15	8	6	3	106	1	2	6	6	1,076	358	1,743

*Chiefly supply.

NEW YORK

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First Boston	Samuel McNaugher	40 Dana St , Cambridge, Mass	5	3	8	7	216	4	100	50	143	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5,144	5	...	...	...	1,600	810	7,702
Second Boston	J. M Foster	44 S. Russell St , Boston, Mass	4	4	2	3	67	4	45	...	56	22	4	5	6	3	3	2	25	153	24	3	5	700	733	‖1,744
Bovina		John A. Russell, Bovina Center, N Y	5	3	...	...	63	1	93	...	77	34	31	22	22	11	8	23	19	18	18	6	7	757	30	1,083
Brooklyn	*J. C. Slater	Brooklyn	4	4	1	6	62	1	41	25	126	51	48	34	34	17	15	41	76	34	28	11	14	389	799	‡1,717
Cambridge		Thomas McCloskey, 38 Bow St , Somerville, Mass	3	3	...	9	59	..	62	36	27	17	.....	14	17	...	.....	...	23	.....	...	...	...	.....	934	1,032
Coldenham	Thomas Patton	Montgomery, N. Y	5	4	3	3	59	2	50	...	17	10	4	...	10	...	.....	3	2	7	2	2	...	400	105	562
Kortright		Wm. Orr, So. Kortright	2	1	...	2	20	..	.....	...	30	45	.....	8	16	...	.....	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	209	25	343
First Newburgh	John W. F. Carlisle	284 Liberty St., Newburgh, N. Y.	2	3	9	7	164	..	130	85	423	42	27	30	40	25	.....	...	150	17	.....	.....	.....	1,500	1,400	3,654
Second Newburgh	J. R. Thompson	Newburgh, N. Y.	3	4	11	14	160	8	100	...	70	.....	75	.....	.....	25	.....	...	50	25	.....	.....	.....	1,200	700	2,145
Second New York	R. M. Sommerville	327 W. 56th St , New York	9	8	11	19	290	‡3	235	48	2,039	279	181	84	433	20	138	372	815	635	...	35	179	3,000	3,083	11,893
Third New York	F. M. Foster	345 W. 29th St , New York	9	5	14	15	173	3	200	30	337	96	45	23	22	43	18	45	18	19	49	14	14	2,500	2,459	§5,702
Fourth New York	I A Blackwood	34 W. 128th St., New York	5	6	4	8	87	2	100	20	54	5	....	6	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	1,200	806	2,081
Walton	R C. Reed	Walton, N. Y	3	6	5	5	102	3	90	...	104	68	50	35	18	.....	.....	...	2	15	.....	.....	9	800	200	1,319
West Hebron	T. A McElwain	West Hebron, Washington Co , N. Y.	3	1	1	1	30	25	.....	...	12	6	9	7	6	4	2	8	3	4	5	3	4	310	171	554
White Lake	J. H Pritchard	White Lake, N. Y	4	2	2	2	53	1	30	...	34	.....	.....	13	10	...	4	...	....	5	...	8	6	500	30	610
.....	S R Wallace	526 Monroe St , Brooklyn, N Y	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
.....	A. I. Robb	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
.....	a Julius A Kempf	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
.....	T. A Rusk	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
.....	W. M George	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
No. of Congregations, 15	No. of Ministers, 17.	Totals,	66	57	71	101	1605	57	1276	294	3,549	675	474	281	639	148	188	494	6,350	947	126	182	238	15,065	12,285	41,641

* Pastor elect. †1 Adult. ‡Including Literary Fund, 11; Students' Fund, 11; Geneva Collection, 17; Aged People's Home, 158. ‖Including Geneva Collection, 3. §Including Literary Fund, 15.
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Jonathan's Creek			3	3	3	...	43	..	50	...	53	37	33	22	36	26	8	23	27	11	27	6	7	500	197	1,013
Londonderry		J. E. Morrison, Freeport, O.	4	..	...	3	35	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Muskingum and Tomica	†W. J. McBurney	Frazeysburg, O.	3	1	...	...	17	..	...	...	7	3	5	5	4	1	1	6	2	2	2	...	...	300	75	413
New Concord	A. A. Samson	New Concord, O	5	5	1	3	92	..	66	30	61	14	26	21	17	6	10	11	5	17	9	5	4	600	352	1,158
North Salem		W. P. Adams, Sugar Tree, O.	2	..	...	...	7	..	...	...	3	.....	2	2	3	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12
Utica	†R. A Blair	Utica, O.	2	5	10	...	77	*2	50	15	145	18	.....	70	7	8	.....	5	644	.....	10	...	...	691	164	1,762
No. of Congregations, 6	No. of Ministers, 3	Totals,	19	14	14	6	271	2	166	45	269	72	66	120	67	43	19	45	678	30	48	11	11	2,300	805	4,584

† Ordained since last meeting of Synod. * Adults, 2.

PHILADELPHIA

First Philadelphia	T. P. Stevenson	1211 S. 47th St., Phila.	3	6	8	8	160	4	104	50	320	462	68	46	67	32	9	33	27	154	22	16	22	1,600	1,500	4,378
Second Philadelphia	J. C. McFeeters	1511 Christian St., Phila.	7	..	15	27	225	6	144	20	2,627	118	819	531	581	82	28	26	134	38	42	509	24	2,000	5,947	§13,486
Third Philadelphia	R. C. Montgomery	129 W. Susquehanna Ave., Phila.	8	5	18	10	160	2	130	60	177	1,035	70	46	35	21	14	18	*9,110	60	15	13	5	1,600	‡2,800	15,019
Baltimore, M. S.		John Wright, Hillen St., Baltimore	†3	..	...	...	19	..	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Conococheague, M. S.		J. D. Kennedy, Green Castle, Pa.	1	..	...	2	9	..	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	E. F. Sherman	Sewell, Gloucester Co., N. J.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	G. M. Robb	800 S. Fifth St., Phila.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	M. Greenberg	Oakland, Cal.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. of Congregations, 3	No. of Ministers, 6	Totals,	22	11	41	47	573	12	378	130	3,124	1,645	957	623	683	135	51	77	9,271	252	79	538	51	5,200	10,247	32,883

†1902 Report. *New Building, $9,100. ‡Scholarship, Geneva College, $1,000. §Including $8,723, Bequest of James Carlisle.

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											Syrian Mission	Mission in China	Home Mission	Southern Mission	Indian Mission	Jewish Mission	Theological Seminary	Sustentation	Church Erection	National Reform	Testimony Bearing	Aged Ministers' Fund	Widows' and Orphans' Fund	Salary Paid by Congregation	Miscellaneous	Total
Adamsville & Middletown	.....	R. J. McCracken, Hilliards, Pa., R. D , 52	4	..	4	5	36	1	30	...	15	.....	13	6	7	3	2	...	82	.....	8	...	2	525	29	296
Allegheny	W J. Coleman	1205 Boyle St., Allegheny, Pa	4	..	9	6	140	†1	150	25	727	271	486	142	370	78	107	85	486	72	74	32	29	1,600	1,196	5,755
Bear Run & Mahoning	E. M. Elsey	Glen Campbell, Pa	5	..	7	2	38	..	.....	25	49	33	14	6	6	3	.....	...	71	.....	10	2	3	600	256	1,053
Rehoboth	E. M. Elsey	Glen Campbell, Pa	4	..	3	1	36	3	.....	14	= 6	4	2	7	16	1	.....	...	.....	.....	...	1	1	160	.....	198
First Beaver Falls	J. S. Thompson	1005 Eighth Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa	7	5	6	6	86	2	135	20	39	38	16	24	61	17	7	6	18	23	7	14	3	1,100	407	2,280
Brookland & Manchester	P. P. Boyd	Hiram Steels, Ingleside, Pa	2	..	...	...	29	1	24	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	...	...	...	.....	264	264
Central Allegheny	J. W. Sproull	122 East N Ave, East Allegheny, Pa	4	..	10	10	174	4	465	125	185	68	62	7	51	3	4	5	195	8	2	4	3	2,000	1,829	4,426
Centerville, M. S.	J. R. Latimer	Rose Point, Lawrence Co., Pa	...	...	...	...	6	..	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	...	...	...	60	18	78
Clarksburg	.....	*Robt Henry, Saltsburg, Pa., R. D., 1	2	2	3	2	21	..	.....	...	12	.....	4	...	4	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	...	...	...	1140	20	180
College Hill	R. H. Martin	College Hill, Beaver Falls, Pa	7	6	14	10	116	†6	263	97	204	113	235	52	69	14	9	12	131	171	7	5	9	1,000	840	2,871
East End	D C. Martin	401 N. Highland Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa	4	5	6	3	67	5	45	22	136	72	79	59	106	18	20	36	146	140	19	17	22	800	684	2,354
Geneva	H. G. Foster	3005 College Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa	7	9	1	10	138	2	332	40	212	76	62	23	80	56	6	39	20	8	153	5	10	1,100	1,060	2,910
Little Beaver	J R Wylie	New Galilee, Pa	5	4	3	3	84	2	60	15	68	7	13	18	27	8	4	8	462	71	6	5	3	800	173	1,673
McKeesport & Mon'la	B M Sharp	427 Penny Ave., McKeesport, Pa	3	2	2	3	53	1	30	...	41	8	36	9	18	4	15	10	43	45	10	24	3	423	1,098	1,787
Mercer	W. J. McKnight	Mercer, Pa	4	5	4	2	56	1	30	...	51	22	40	15	41	12	8	20	2	7	19	6	6	530	120	909
Millers Run	S. G. Conner	Cannonsburg, Pa., R. D., 38	3	..	4	5	59	1	60	...	329	237	179	86	110	66	22	87	119	31	25	9	12	815	242	2,369
New Alexandria	R. J. Gault	New Alexandria, Pa	5	2	5	6	136	†2	110	...	234	107	65	91	75	65	29	49	91	41	34	25	12	900	342	2,160
New Castle	J. S. Martin	69 Oak Ave., New Castle, Pa	8	6	20	20	216	2	225	65	277	90	428	46	46	4	25	14	581	87	12	7	5	1,200	854	3,676
North Union	P. P. Boyd	*D. N Crowe, Renfrew, Pa	k2	3	...	4	28	..	20	...	10	.....	.....	...	16	...	.....	...	6	.....	5	...	...	.....	275	312
Oil Creek	S. J. Crowe	405 Park Ave., Warren, Ohio	2	2	...	4	13	..	20	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	25	150	...	...	...	150	75	400
Pine Creek	A. Kilpatrick	Valencia, Pa	2	...	...	...	24	1	24	...	5	3	.....	...	1	...	1	...	.....	8	...	...	2	150	31	201
Union	A. Kilpatrick	Valencia, Pa	4	3	4	2	56	†4	.....	...	34	4	23	19	18	7	5	3	289	4	2	3	3	487	191	1,092
Parnassus	F. M. Wilson	Parnassus, Pa	6	4	7	3	71	..	80	25	146	51	59	60	80	30	24	29	232	230	21	12	13	900	‡443	2,330
Pittsburgh	D. McAllister	8 Lafayette Ave, Allegheny, Pa	8	3	8	15	216	†6	2 6	65	252	78	160	59	166	24	18	291	58	572	...	12	25	2,500	3,250	7,465
Salem	.....	Robert Campbell, Baxter, Pa	2	...	...	2	15	2	.....	...	21	16	.....	5	5	...	.....	...	.....	.....	...	...	...	.....	10	57
Slippery Rock	J. R. Latimer	Rose Point, Lawrence Co , Pa	5	3	2	6	52	2	78	...	79	25	14	24	48	12	2	7	6	3	19	6	5	450	172	877

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Wilkinsburg	R. C. Wylie	810 S Ave, Station D., Pittsburgh, Pa.	5	..	5	4	140	†1	§148	...	302	93	103	232	202	41	26	82	92	246	65	24	30	1,960	1,169	947
Youngstown	E. L McKnight	328 Edwards St, Youngstown, Ohio	4	2	...	2	45	2	50	18	29	11	19	4	26	3	1	1	189	5	3	1	1	550	104	4,607
.....	R. C. Allen	Grove City, Pa	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
.....	T. J. Allen	Beaver Falls, Pa	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
.....	J. R Baird	Indiana, Pa	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
.....	J. F. Crozier	Beaver Falls, Pa	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
.....	R. J Dodds	Mersine, Asia Minor	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
.....	C. A. Dodds	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
.....	H. Easson	Beaver Falls, Pa	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
.....	J C. K. Faris	Beaver Falls, Pa	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
.....	H. H. George	Beaver Falls, Pa	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
.....	R. J. George	Allegheny, Pa	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
.....	W P. Johnston	Beaver Falls, Pa	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
.....	George Kennedy	Beaver Falls, Pa	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
.....	A. J. McFarland, Sr.	Beaver Falls, Pa	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
.....	J. J. McClurkin	New Alexandria, Pa	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
.....	J. L McCartney	Beaver Falls, Pa	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
.....	R J. McIsaac	Beaver Falls, Pa	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
.....	J. L. Pinkerton	Waupaca, Wis.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
.....	D. J. Shaw	New Alexandria, Pa	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
.....	J S. Stewart	Latakia, Syria	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
.....	D. B. Wilson	Buena Vista St, Allegheny, Pa	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
No. of Congregations, 27.	No. of Ministers, 42.	Totals,	118	68	137	136	2,151	52	2,605	566	3,463	1,127	2,112	994	1,619	469	335	784	3,344	1,927	501	214	202	20,840	15,662	53,923

* Report taken from last year. † 1 adult, New Alexandria; 1 adult, Union; 1 adult, Wilkinsburg; 3 adults, College Hill; 1 adult, Allegheny; 1 adult, Pittsburgh. § 30 Chinese.
‖ Contributions taken from last year. ‡ Large number of personal contributions not included. i Supplies. k Officers elected, not ordained.

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Almonte	.....	T. J. Bowes, Almonte, Ontario	3	2	2	2	59	3	60	...	70	20	23	22	20	10	6	15	14	19	9	7	7	650	175 297	1060
Lisbon	.....	Wm. Robson, Lisbon Centre, N. Y.	3	1	1	4	37	..	25	...	14	.....	5	...	9	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	4	.....	.....	333
*Lochiel	W. G. Robb	Brodie, Ontario	4	2	8	...	36	4	27	...	21	10	10	9	9	5	3	9	3	.....	7	3	3	.....	100	92
Sterling, Mission Station	.....	Hugh Dugan, Sterling N. Y	1	3	...	...	14	..	.....	...	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	416	125
Syracuse	†John Yates	109 E. Colvin St, Syracuse, N. Y	3	3	2	6	65	..	55	30	47	9	8	22	14	9	3	7	15	3	5	5	3	373	472	939
York	J. B. Gilmore	York, N. Y	4	..	...	6	90	2	85	27	101	40	25	23	26	15	6	19	19	19	19	9	7	†800	.....	1600
.....	William McFarland	103 E. Colvin St., Syracuse, N. Y	...	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1460	.....
No. of Congregations, 5	No. of Ministers, 4	Totals,	18	11	13	18	301	9	252	57	278	79	71	76	78	43	18	50	51	34	40	24	24	1823		4149

* Last year's report. † Ordained since last meeting of Synod. † Including manse

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Barnet	D. C. Faris	Groton, R. F. D., No. 1, Vermont	4	2	2	1	60	..	90	...	119	71	21	17	21	10	8	14	10	21	10	7	7	445	136	917
Craftsbury	J. C. Taylor	East Craftsbury, Vermont	4	2	...	1	53	..	85	..	102	18	9	12	30	6	9	...	.....	29	3	6	5	*551	80	860
Ryegate	.....	R. H. Gates, South Ryegate, Vermont	2	1	...	2	17	..	.....	...	35	12	13	12	11	6	14	3	.....	10	7	1	2	.....	119	245
No. of Congregations, 3	No. of Ministers, 2	Totals,	10	5	2	4	130	—	175	...	256	101	43	41	62	22	31	17	10	60	20	14	14	996	335	2,022

* And Parsonage.

SUMMARY

PRESBYTERIES	Congregations	Ministers	Elders	Deacons	Increase in Membership	Decrease in Membership	Communicants	Baptisms	Sabbath School Attendance	Young People's Society Atten	CONTRIBUTIONS															
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New Brunswick and Nova Scotia	3	1	9	5	5	6	126	1	55	.....	100	22	20	14	15	8	6	3	106	1	2	6	6	1,076	358	1,743
Iowa	9	10	39	30	65	59	817	30	762	185	1,459	498	285	385	344	159	1,192	93	4,671	236	76	59	50	5,147	5,141	19,797
Lakes	9	9	33	27	22	35	613	16	585	188	570	217	203	179	157	66	58	106	721	186	62	42	45	5,031	1,768	9,411
Kansas	18	18	71	56	147	105	1,589	80	1,574	328	1,307	1,141	352	487	373	176	151	205	2,410	300	147	84	81	9,045	6,307	22,569
Pittsburgh	27	42	118	68	137	136	2,151	52	2,605	566	3,463	1,427	2,112	994	1,649	469	335	784	3,344	1,927	501	214	202	20,840	15,662	53,923
Ohio	6	3	19	14	14	6	271	2	166	45	269	72	66	120	67	43	19	45	678	30	48	11	11	2,300	805	4,584
Colorado	6	9	18	19	74	30	355	22	407	132	316	522	72	79	54	44	20	74	471	133	59	22	21	2,953	1,626	6,463
Vermont	3	2	10	5	2	4	130	....	175	... ..	256	101	43	41	62	22	31	17	10	60	29	14	14	996	335	2,022
Philadelphia	3	6	22	11	41	47	573	12	378	130	3,124	1,645	957	623	633	135	51	77	9,271	252	79	538	51	5,200	10,247	32,883
Rochester	5	4	18	11	13	18	301	9	252	57	278	79	71	76	78	43	18	50	51	31	40	21	24	1,823	1,460	4,149
New York	15	17	68	57	71	101	1,625	57	1,276	294	3,549	675	474	281	639	148	188	494	6,350	947	126	182	238	15,065	12,285	41,641
Illinois	9	9	39	37	49	56	766	21	802	136	822	500	313	318	274	149	42	68	574	205	173	44	37	5,236	4,687	13,442
Syrian Commission	2	2	....	....	38	28	341	....	.. ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mission in China	....	....	....	....	10	....	23	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals,	115	132	462	340	688	631	9,681	302	9,037	2,061	15,513	6,899	4,968	3,597	4,345	1,459	2,114	2,018	28,657	4,311	1,333	1,240	780	74,712	60,681	212,627

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